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ENGLISH FOOTBALL 'FLIPS ITS LID'

ENGLISH football has finally "flipped its lid" observed one cynic in the week when the exchange of Clive Allen and Kenny Sansom became reality instead of a poor joke.

Few would believe that Britain suffers from a recession when footballers with hugely inflated prices on thier heads — and, in some cases, egos to match — are moved around like hunks of meat.

It says little for British football that a club which lost two cup finals because they couldn't score a goal find the need for a full back more pressing than that for a genuine goalscorer.

Sansom will prove a valuable acquisition for Arsenal but there is no doubt that the people on the terraces would have preferred Allen to have stayed.

But at least some sanity prevailed and Arsenal refused to captitulate to the wage demands of Peter Reid who was on the verge of signing for Bolton Wanderers.

Reid is reported to have asked for £1,400 a week and was politely shown the door. Small wonder . . . how can an average English player, with limited first division experience and no international honours, be worth £70,000 a year in wages?

Footballers have a relatively short career and are entitled to earn enough money to secure their futures but how can the man in the street, battling against inflation and paying hard-earned money to watch football, reconcile himself to wages on that scale.

A figure of £70,000 per year is not that high in the sporting world. The top tennis and golf stars would consider that sum peanuts but there are fundamental differences.

Only the top tennis and golf pros earn big money. Others have to make do with substantially less. But they all work much harder than footballers, and for longer periods.

A soccer professional's life is not that demanding. Training and match play consume less than most people would expect to work in an average week. Talks of pressure, strains and the like are grossly exaggerated.

A footballer is also part of a team and as such his own individual performance can be hidden within the framework of others. Golf and tennis stars have nobody to fall back on if they have an off day.

The transfer market has gone mad and million pound moves are almost commonplace. It is ironic that while unproved players cost so much, Juventus were able to sign Liam Brady from Arsenal for a relatively small figure.

European legislation will ensure that the Italian club pays Arsenal considerably less than half a million. Perhaps the time has come to adopt similar ceilings in England.

Less money spent on players could help to improve spectator facilities and, perhaps, even keep admission prices down in an effort to stem the tide of fans who are turning their backs on league football.

The cry for more entertaining football gathered pace in the days before the new British season began but whether many clubs take note remains to be seen.

Winning is still the name of the game and negative attitudes frequently bear more fruit than positive deeds.

But there is hope. Tottenham, with the midfield artistry of Glen Hoddle and Osvaldo Ardiles, now have a strike force to match; Southampton look a team capable of doing much more than simply providing a stage for Kevin Keegan.

Liverpool will doubtless prove the biggest influence on the season if other clubs are to challenge their position, and keep the turnstiles clicking. British football needs to take a long hard look at itself and remedy some of the ills which could strangle it in the eighties.

Kenny Sansom in action for Arsenal in their opening day fixture at West Bromwich. Arsenal won 1-0.

Mike Channon celebrates the first of his two goals for Southampton against Manchester City.

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from Eric Weil in Buenos Aires

Maradona story ends

THE "Maradona story" — which managed to fill local sports pages for the best part of three months — appeared to have a happy ending on July 22 when, at a press conference in the Buenos Aires Sheraton Hotel, attended by some 300 journalists, his club, Argentinos Juniors, announced that they had come to an agreement with the player to continue playing for them until after the 1982 World Cup.

A couple of days earlier they had cabled Barcelona to anull the pro-forma transfer contract signed with the Spanish club (in May) which was willing to pay a record six million dollars for the player plus a two million dollar signing-on fee, the 15% due to the player (almost another million) and a host of other benefits. Argentinos Juniors anulled the transaction on the grounds that the Argentine FA would not lift the ban on the player's transfer to a foreign club.

Full details of the agreement with the player were not released because, club president Prospero Consoli said, it was a private matter, but all indications were that after three months of intensive negotiations to get financial backing from business concerns — and even the Social Welfare Ministry which runs the football pools (flatly turned down on the grounds that the ministry ony subsidized amateur sport . . . admittedly obtained from pools profits based on professional soccer) — Argentinos Juniors still had not got one cent.

The agreement was made possible at the eleventh hour by the Argentine FA stepping in with a loan of 400,000 dollars (to be paid back in four monthly instalments from October) to pay the player until the end of the year. The club announced that they will raise the cash by selling life memberships at 1000 dollars a head and by organising a giant raffle.

Maradona said at the press conference that he was happy to be staying here and had always been sad at the prospect of leaving Argentina. He also denied that he had earlier said that he had signed a contract with Barcelona and received the two million dollars signing-on fee.

Contract

Earlier he had repeatedly said that he would leave for Spain on July 23 — a day after the press conference — if no solution was found here. He had been playing without a contract. He also said he would go to court to have the FA ban on his transfer abroad lifted on the grounds that it limited "freedom of work" (guaranteed by the Argentine constitution).

He never did because his lawyers probably told him that although he would eventually win his case, it could take months and therefore far beyond the start of the next Spanish season by which time Barcelona wanted him in their ranks. Even then the Argentine FA could not have been forced to give him an international clearance certificate without which he could not have played in Spain.

So the world record transfer fee did not go through, but it must have created one record for the number of people involved in negotiations to keep the player in Argentina and the amount of print and TV space spent on the matter.

Government intervention was always denied, but Maradona, who had recently done his military service and, like any Argentine citizen, is on the reserve call-up list until a certain age, may have even been stopped from leaving the country by other means than the FA ban.

• **Leonel Sanchez,** the former Chilean international winger who now coaches the junior divisions of the club he played for, Universidad de Chile, confessed in a recent newspaper article that he feigned having been injured by Italy's David during the 1962 World Cup in Chile to get the latter sent off.

David and team-mate Maschio were sent off in the match in which Chile beat Italy 2-0 — a result vital for them to qualify fot the semi finals. Sanchez paid the price later when he went for a trial with David's club, Milan. He did not play badly, but was resisted by players and fans and Milan did not sign him.

Maradona in action against England's Ray Wilkins.

CRUZ AZUL AGAIN

CRUZ Azul retained the Mexican first division title beating Universidad de Nuevo Leon 4-3 on aggregate in the two-legged final. The two clubs had won their respective sections in the eight-team final round of the 20-team competition.

The champions won the first leg 1-0 away in Monterrey in front of 75,000 spectators and although they were hardly the better team they managed to contain their rivals who lacked penetration and missed chances. Montoya scored the goal 10 minutes from the end in the vital win and he also netted two in the return leg in Mexico City in the 3-3 draw in front of a 112,000 sell-out crowd. Cruz Azul deservedly led 2-0 at half-time, but they were again hard-put to contain their rivals after the interval and had Argentina goalkeeper Marin a lot to thank for.

The final match line-ups:

Cruz Azul: Marin, Flores, Cordero, Viveros, Toribio, Mendizabal, Lugo, Jarasaguier, Montoya, Camacho, Ceballos.

Universidad de Nuevo Leon: Reyes, Garcia, Alvarez, Ruiz, Herrera, Boy, Carrillo, Orduna, Barbadillo, Jimenez, Eugui.

Final round standings

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Group 1					
Univ. de Nuevo Leon	6	2	3	1	7
America	6	2	2	2	6
Univ. Aut. de Mexico	6	1	4	1	6
Zacatepec	6	1	3	2	5
Group 2					
Cruz Azul	6	4	0	2	8
Atlante	6	2	2	2	6
Tampico	6	2	2	2	6
Neza	6	1	3	2	5

Speaking Personally by LESLIE VERNON

Deliberate foul is violent conduct . . .

READERS will write when they feel strongly about a subject, and I, for one, am always grateful for the interest shown by them. (Provided they do not ask me to supply them with the line-ups of the last thirty Hungarian Cup Finals or some other similar massive statistical information.)

Most of last month's letters still dealt with the miserable European Championship, and people from Scotland gleefully reminded me that I foolishly (?) tipped England to win the trophy.

As it happened, England were not far from doing that, after all, only a hesitant flag of a linesman and the width of a goalpost stopped them reaching the Final. But the tournament itself greatly worried me, and on the eve of the World Cup qualifying competition, I harbour a great deal of anxiety for the future of international football.

With the exception of Greenwood and Kubala, the other six managers should be thoroughly ashamed of themselves for the cowardly tactics they practised during the tournament. Belgium were the main culprits, because they have players to provide something better than a completely negative approach, which consisted of over use of offside tactics, strict man-to-man marking, and an overcrowded midfield, whose sole object was to smother the opposition, and create some sort of a chance for the lone raider, Ceulemans.

The Italy v Belgium game was especially depressing, with its petty fouls, gamesmanship and the utter boredom it provided for the spectators. In this kind of travesty of a game, no player is allowed to run with the ball longer than two yards before he is pulled down, obstructed or tripped.

Then the offending team refuse to withdraw to the legitmate distance, so there are constant stoppages, irritating delays. I carry no torch for the Italians who are scarcely better, but I was sad to see that Belgium succeeded with their spoiling tactics, and that they achieved the 0-0 draw they were so obviously playing for.

The danger is, of course, that they will be imitated by other less talented teams — if these ploys are effective, why not use them?

Even W. Germany, worthy winners, were guilty of negative thinking. Their victory against Czechoslovakia was extremely fortuitous, they played well against Holland, and very poorly indeed when they met Greece.

They should have crushed such inferior opposition, but were content to cruise to a 0-0 draw, and no thought given to the entertainment value of the performance. Indeed, this important aspect of big time football did not enter into the coaches' thinking, and if they carry-on on similar lines, they might 'plan' themselves out of business.

The tournament was so bad, that both FIFA and UEFA officially expressed their misgivings. Rene Courte of FIFA was worried about the low attendances vis-a-vis the forthcoming World Cup in Spain, and says that entire areas should be "blacked-out" from television coverage, otherwise the fans will stay at home to watch the small screen.

UEFA were questioning the format of the European Championship, and came to the reluctant conclusion that the League system leads to negative football, because everyone is so afraid of losing, that they don't dare to play to win.

I have no doubt however that they ar not going to change the format, they will give it yet another trial in 1984, when the tournament will be held either in France or in England. I am in favour of a straight knock-out tournament with four finalists only — this system provided an exceptionally fine series of games in 1976!

But no TV black-out, change of system or any other artificial aid would help, unless football itself comes to its senses. It is part of the entertainment industry, and the "customers" want to see fluent forward play, goals, imaginative and creative midfielders, and most of all, two teams striving to win.

Glenn Hoddle of Spurs (left) in action against Raimondo Ponte of Nottingham Forest.

Tactics

Merely spoiling tactics will always cause disillusionment with the game itself, and it is the moral duty of the coaches of the national teams to plan accordingly and to emphasise the positive aspects of football.

England, under Greenwood, will always try to be "positive", we shall never imitate the cowardly Belgians or the over-defensive Italians. But other, lesser countries might do just that, and it is a "luxury" football simply cannot afford. We have seen the danger signs, international football is at the crossroads, and I fervently hope that World Cup '82 will be a much better tournament than the European Championship was — the identity of the winners, my dear Scottish readers, is really immaterial.

I have already mentioned the Italy v Belgium game with its petty, tactical fouling, but unfortunately, this form of gamesmanship is not restricted to international football only. Now, our own referees have decided to treat this aspect of football much more strictly, and cut out these irritating habits in the domestic game. What are the most frequent eyesores?

In my view, the tactical foul is the worst offence in this category, because the punishment hardly ever fits the crime. One remembers Willie Young's foul on young Paul Allen in last year's Cup Final, when the West Ham player had a clear run at goal and was then pulled down from behind by Young.

Whether I use the adjective "clinically" or "cynically", it doesn't matter, because

Tottenham players congratulate Garth Crooks after his first goal for Spurs, against Nottingham Forest.

this type of foul is almost an accepted part and parcel of the game.

(The W. Germans committed two similar fouls during the European Championship, and although the offences were just outside the box, they were punished with penalty kicks.)

A "moral penalty" cannot be given for these offences, as the present law stands, the offender escapes with a caution and the free-kick usually comes to nothing.

Some time ago, I advocated the introduction of a secondary penalty for this offence, but this is just a pipedream, knowing the ponderous way our legislators operate. But it is not beyond the realms of possibility to say that a deliberate foul constitutes "violent conduct", and the player can be sent off for it.

If that was the case, I am sure that fewer managers would instruct their players to use tactical fouling when all else fails, and footballers themselves would be reluctant to commit a foul, knowing full well that they might be sent off for it.

That other irritant is the forming of "the wall" five or six yards from the offence, and the subsequent pantomime, with the referee waving frantically to them to back-up! This is a very difficult problem, because while a ref. can adequately deal with a sole offender (caution) it is very hard "to book" six or seven players for this transgression.

The time taken up by jotting down the names annoys the crowd, the referee looks foolish and over-strict, and eventually, he is accused of losing his grip of the situation. I do not subscribe to the idea that the free-kick should be put 10 yards forward as a punishment, because that would not solve the problem, only aggravate it when "the wall" lined-up to deal with the new situation.

So, I am afraid the only solution left is the wholesale caution of players, and if one of them would be sent off later (or at the same time!) for a similar or another offence, managers would make sure that their players retreat properly when a free-kick is given against them.

(Last season at Highbury, Tardelli of Juventus was booked by the Dutch referee Corver for not standing 10 yards away from a free-kick, and minutes later, he was sent off for a "cautionable" foul on Liam Brady!)

Injuries

Other manifestations of gamesmanship are the feigning of injuries, the obstruction of goalkeepers at corner-kicks, the stealing of yards at throw-ins and time-wasting. They are all relatively easy to deal with, and I do hope our referees will be as good as their word, and that they will handle the offenders with the necessary vigour.

The problem usually is that at the beginning of the season, these offences are dealt with with an iron fist, then they slowly creep back into the game, and the referees turn a blind eye to them. Anything for a quiet life!

Finally, a letter from America which deserves an answer: "I enjoyed your article on finals in the European competitions (thanks to German and U.S. public T.V. we get to see most of the important matches). I share your misgivings on penalty kicks; though it makes a good show, like Russian Roulette, it doesn't reflect the game. Hence I would like to see your opinion on use of corner kicks as a 3rd criterion instead.

Corners generally reflect attacking football; keeping count of them would not be difficult or overtly controversial; and I have a feeling that a team, finding itself short on corner kick counts in extra time, would have to press forward, and this would tend to lead to the deciding goal one way or the other."

Sincerely, (Sgd.) Robert Lobliner, Long Beach, U.S.A."

I disagree with Mr. Lobliner, partly because territorial advantage does not necessarily mean superiority. And even if we accept his argument, the counting of corner kicks would change the character of the game. Teams in Cup Finals would be wary of giving away corners in case the match ended in a draw, and if a team would be ahead on corners, they would defend this advantage as they would preserve an actual lead in goals.

Paradoxically, the counting of corners would be a good idea, only if the teams didn't know about it, and the match would be played "normally"! But this is, of course, impossible, and I repeat, I do not believe that it is fair to give an exaggerated importance to corners, after all, a deflection or a bad back-pass might result in a corner-kick. I would still prefer to see teams sharing the title after extra-time of a drawn match, and holding the trophy for six months each.

ZAMBIA by James Mwambazi

Olympic nightmare

ZAMBIA'S debut in the finals of the Olympic soccer tournament in Moscow received a jolt when they lost all their games in the group one pool.

In the first game against Cuba, played at Kirov Stadium, an 80,000 capacity stadium in Leningrad, Zambia lost 0-1.

Playing against the Soviet Union, the most experienced side in their pool, Zambia received another hammering to the tune of 3-1 at the massive Central Lenin Stadium with a spectator capacity of 100,000. This alone must have given the Central African team quite a fright, taking into account that they had not played before such a huge crowd, and besides, the cheering of the Moscow fans for their team was just shattering.

Despite this defeat, Zambia accounted themselves well, stretching the Russians to a goalless first half, and also won the hearts of many soccer fans who had thronged the Lenin Stadium.

But against Venezuela, the South American side that had been beaten 4-0 by the Soviet Union, Zambia lost 1-2 to this team in Leningrad. This is one game that could have ended in a 1-1 draw.

Zambia took the lead through Godfrey Chitalu, Africa's most prolific striker, in the 30th minute. He had beaten the entire cluster of Venezuela's defenders before he lobbed the ball home. But luck did not smile on Zambia for four minutes before the end of the first half, Kampela Katumba, put the ball into his own goal in a desperate move to clear, and it was 1-1 at half-time.

And a minute before full-time, Zambia's left full-back, Kaiser Kalambo from Ndola United handled in the box from a corner.

The linesman, however, awarded yet another corner because he felt that the Zambian defender did not handle, but the Costa Rican referee waved him down and awarded the penalty to Venezuela, giving them the much-needed victory.

Throughout the entire tournament, acting national coach, Dick Chama employed a defensive system whose main aim was to thwart an avalanche of goals he was expecting from the more seasoned teams in their grouping.

He jammed the defence and the midfield with eight men and left two strikers up front in a 4-4-2 formation.

By employing this system, Chama hoped to seal the midfield loophole, the area in which his team was weak.

In Zambia he usually uses two men in the midfield, but he would not make the same mistake in Europe, as he put it: "We would be overwhelmed. It would be suicidal."

So he brought Moses Simwala, Alex Chola, Evans Katebe and Clement Banda in the midfield.

Because of the speed and flexibility of these players, he allowed them to overlap up front to give ammunition to the two strikers, Godfrey Chitalu and Pele Kaimana.

At the back, he lined up Kaiser Kalambo, Milton Muke, Michael Musonda and Kampela Katumba. Any one of these would overlap freely because of the balance provided by the midfield.

This method worked well in Czechoslovakia, where the squad played three practice games before the Olympic soccer tournament.

Against a second division side, Yuvlankov, Zambia won 3-1, beat a third division side, Nydc 4-0 and drew 1-1 against a provincial side Trinec.

The effectiveness of the defensive formation was the fact that the team scored fewer goals than what Cuba and Venezuela suffered at the hands of the Soviet Union, 8-0 and 4-0 respectively.

Chama was not looking for victories in the Olympic tournament, but his ambition was to give the team the much-needed experience by playing against the most seasoned teams, whose experience he would use in the current world cup qualifying series, in which Zambia has already qualified for the second round after beating Ethiopia 4-0 on goal aggregate. Zambia will now meet Morocco, winners of Senegal, in the second round.

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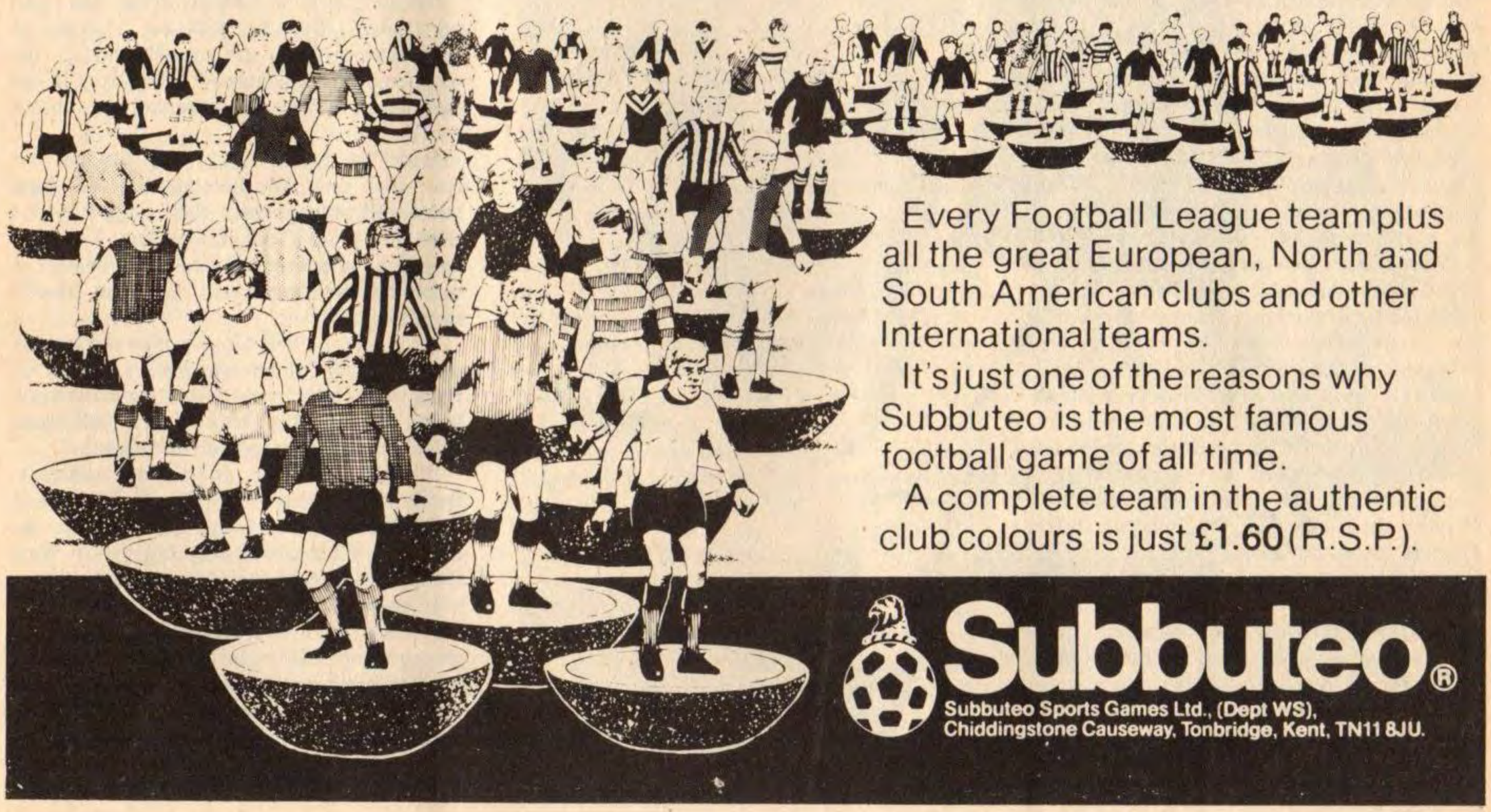

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Player Portrait

by Keir Radnedge

Van Moer recalled to aid Belgians

"THE trouble is," said Guy Thys, uncomfortably formal under the bright lights of a television studio, "that although we have some solid defenders and — at last — some useful goal scorers, there is no one to mould the two together . . ."

His interviewer, half smiling, asked impishly: "What about Van Moer?"

The two men then immediately shrugged their shoulders and changed the subject. A year ago the prospects of a recall for Wilfried Van Moer, the 34-year-old veteran from struggling little Beringen, just wasn't a serious subject for discussion.

The truth, as Guy Thys, Belgium's manager, saw it, was this: the only men of value were those who would be around for the 1982 World Cup. The European Championship? That was just an opportunity for experiment rather than achievement.

There was no point picking a man of Van Moer's years. That was no long-term planning.

And then, a strange thing happened. Belgium, who had begun their European campaign held at home by Norway, won the return in Oslo and, all of a sudden, with Portugal, Austria and Scotland all squandering points, Thys woke up to the realisation that the finals in Italy were beckoning.

Thoughts of long-range construction went out of his mind. He needed a team to win — *now.* That meant calling on the country's most experienced general. And that, in turn, meant a visit to the bar in Tongres run by Wilfried Van Moer.

Four times Thys, perhaps remembering that TV interview, asked Van Moer to agree to a comeback. Four times Van Moer laughed him away. But Thys is a persistent and patient man. The fifth time Van Moer, more out of boredom than belief, said Yes.

"If you could just play for us against Portugal and Scotland," said Thys. "If we don't get the results then you can come back to your bar and your cafeteria and we'll forget it."

Press reaction was, predictably, mixed. It wasn't just Van Moer's age that inspired the doubters, it was the fact that his career had been a long stop-go saga — interrupted by four fractures (all to the right leg) and two knee operations.

Surely Van Moer was too frail to risk his battered, if wiry, frame, in the full rigours of a European international tournament?

But, last October, there he was, lining up against Portugal. At half-time the pessimists were apparently winning the day. Van Moer had struggled and the goalless state of play was right up Portugal's street.

Then, within eight minutes of the restart, Belgium had the game won and Van Moer was off on the most remarkable escapade of his career.

In the 46th minute it was Van Moer who headed Belgium in front; seven minutes more and, this time, with a free kick, he proved the creator for the François Van der Elst goal which brought new confidence to Belgian football.

Not long after Van Moer, tiring, had to be substituted. But he left to a roar of appreciation from the crowd and to the security of an indisputable place back in the national team from which he had been absent for five years.

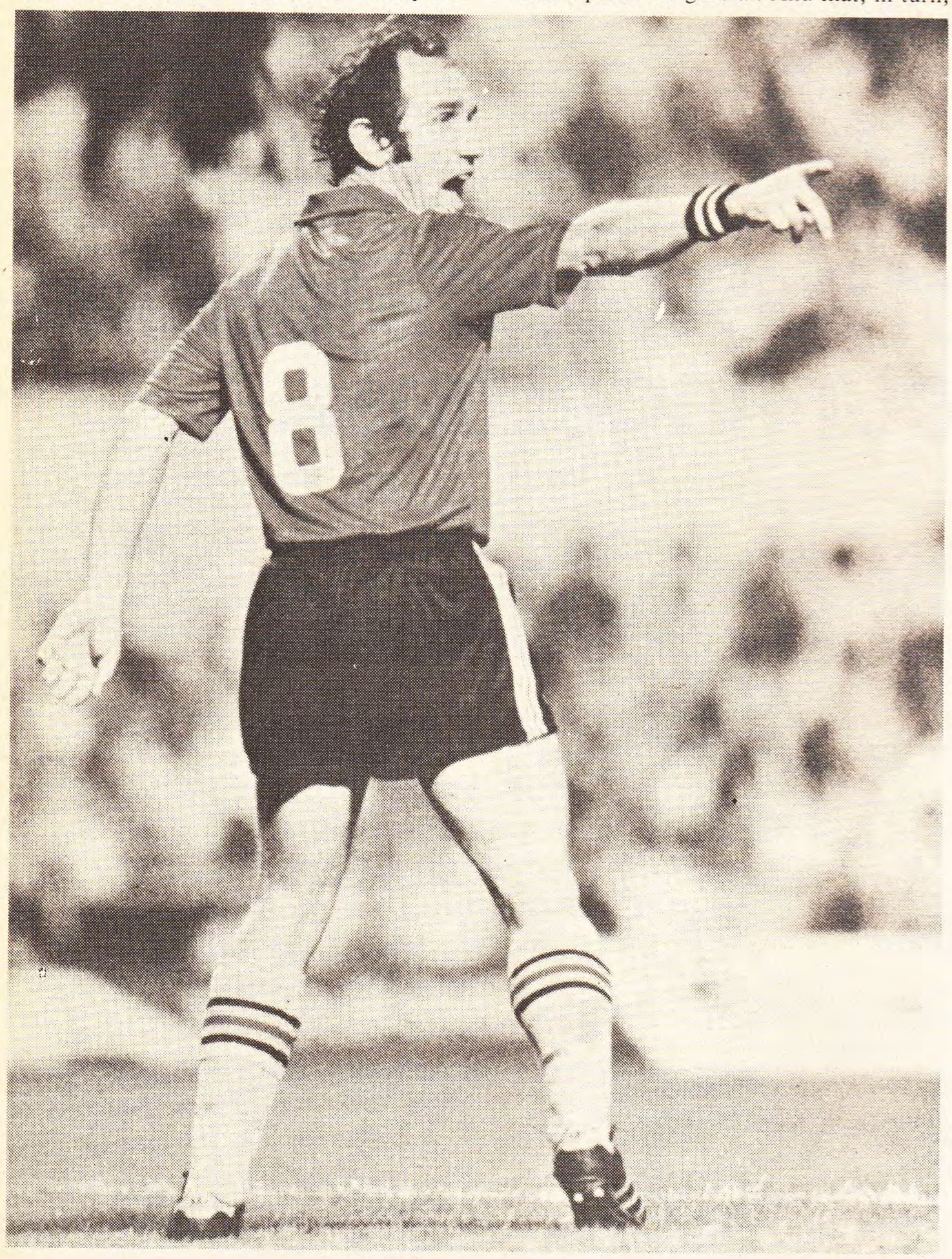
With Van Moer outstanding for the first hour each time, the Belgians beat Scotland home and away to earn their place in Italy. Even then it wasn't all plain sailing. Two days before the squad were due to leave for Italy, a recurring leg injury threatened Van Moer's travelling plans.

As it was, he had already planned to play with a special light-weight plaster cast on his right leg — just in case. After coming back from four broken legs was a ridiculous muscle strain going to keep him away?

It didn't, of course, and the rest is history. Belgium, drawing with England, beating Spain and holding Italy, qualified for the European final which they lost 2-1 to West Germany in the dying minutes in Rome.

In each game Van Moer was outstanding. His wise head, his superb positional play, his timing, and the accuracy of his passing marked him out not only as the oldest player in the finals, but among the finest.

It had been said that he could play only an hour. But against England, Van Moer bobbed, weaved, tackled and harried for 88



Wilfried Van Moer of Belgium.

The Belgium national team in Italy for the European Championships.

minutes until Thys remembered that his man was supposed to tire easily and brought him off.

Already Thys had more for which to be grateful to Van Moer than his leadership *on* the field. There was a little matter of a strike threat, *off* pitch, which Van Moer was instrumental in helping solve before the match.

The players were upset at their federation's bonus offer and were threatening a strike. In return, the federation warned that anyone refusing to play would suffer a heavy suspension.

It was then that Van Moer, arguing as he plays — searching out the points of weakness, creating commonsense and harmony in place of strife and discord — persuaded the rest that a little more talking, a little more compromise, could produce an amicable settlement.

Van Moer was right — and the Belgians were free of such niggles to go out and concentrate on their football. Or at least, so they could against England and Spain. The 0-0 draw with hosts Italy was very different — a rugged, malicious clash which underlined Van Moer's dislike for Italian football.

"I was kicked too much to notice any football," said Van Moer later of a game whose result was so sweet. "First Oriali got to me, then Benetti. I'm just pleased to be all in one piece."

Belgium had qualified to face West Germany in the final. And it was after the next training session that Van Moer's extraordinary part-time attitude was exposed.

"I don't know too much about the Germans," said Van Moer on the eve of the final. "We get a lot of their games on television in Belgium but I never watch — I'm always too busy serving behind the bar."

For once, the Belgians and Van Moer were in trouble. The Germans overran the midfield where Van Moer was effectively shut out by Hans-Peter Briegel. And it was only after Briegel went off injured early in the second half that Van Moer took control.

"We thought we would catch the Germans like that — later in the game — if we could just hold on in the first half," said Van Moer later. "We weren't so far out — we got the equaliser. But the Germans had a little too much up their sleeves."

Football over, Van Moer had time for a holiday, choosing to bring down his wife, Anita, and his daughters, Pascale and Tania, to the Rome hotel where Italy had made their headquarters.

"Will you be seeing Liedholm (Roma's coach)?" asked the Italian journalists, seeking a sniff of a story they could build up, in vain.

"I know Liedholm by name only," said Van Moer. "So I've no reason to meet him. Besides, I'd much rather see the Pope."

And there it would be fitting to end the story of Wilfried Van Moer, beautifully placed to go out at the top. Or so it seemed . .

In fact, by the time of the game against West Germany, van Moer knew something was in the air. On his return to Belgium it was all confirmed: after six years he would be leaving Beringen, returning to his home-town team, the club with whom he had taken the first step towards the springboard for glory . . . Beveren.

At nine he was in the youth section of this fourth division club; at 13 his reputation had spread far and wide; and at 16 he was winning his first prize — promotion for Beveren from the fourth division.

Gradually Beveren progressed to the first division. But Van Moer took nothing like that time. The next season found him playing outside-right for Antwerp — though Anderlecht had first option, rescinding the deal because they had just signed the Feyenoord winger, Gerard Bergholtz.

The move to Antwerp proved a stroke of good fortune. Not only could Van Moer play as undisputed right-winger, but in Englishman Harry Game he found a man who recognised with remarkable clarity Van Moer's real abilities.

"We want you playing in midfield," said game. Van Moer didn't agree at first. But when he found himself, almost by accident, drifting into the centre of the pitch to organise his colleagues, he realised that Game had been right all along.

Not that this was all to good effect. Though Van Moer was playing sufficiently well to make his international debut against Switzerland in autumn 1966, he couldn't keep Antwerp out of danger.

In 1968, after a series of rearguard actions, Antwerp finally went down to the second division. But not Van Moer. For £53,000, then a Belgian record, he was sold to Standard Liege.

As far as club football goes, this was the most successful phase of Van Moer's career.

Footballer of the year in 1966, 1969 and 1970, he helped Standard win the league three years in a row from 1969, and was a key member of the Belgian team who qualified for the 1970 World Cup Finals in Mexico only to lose in controversial circumstances to their hosts.

But already there were niggling fears that Van Moer was shadowed by the curse of repetitive injury trouble. And in 1972 came the worst moment of all.

The occasion was the second leg of the European championship quarter-final against Italy. Instead of the wide-open Heysel stadium, the federation switched the game to the compact Anderlecht ground, the Parc Astrid.

Spurred on by their fans, the Belgians were soon ahead. After a goalless first-leg, the opening goal of the tie fell to none other than Van Moer, heading in a Leon Semmeling free

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FK do not fancy their cup chances

from Derick Allsop in Vienna

YOU might expect a club with one of the most lethal finishers in the business to fancy their chances in Europe this season, but not FK Austria.

The Austrian League and Cup winners, complete with 34-goal Walter Schachner, begin their European Cup campaign against Scottish champions Aberdeen.

Although they almost dare say they are optimistic about the outcome in this tie, they have no illusions about their long-term prospects in the competiton.

When it comes to the joust with the giants, they concede, they are likely to be squashed underfoot with the rest of the minnows.

Austria's greatest deficiency is in midfield and at the highest level of club football that deficiency will be mercilessly exposed.

Without the guile and authority of Herbert Prohaska — now Inter Milan's one-million-dollar property — their pace and strength may count for little.

Limitations

Director Ernst Stock, vice-president of the Vienna club, admitted as much as he talked frankly about their hopes and limitations.

He said: "We had a very good season last year and as the results show, we were very much the best side in Austria.

"This season I feel we should have the same sort of success in domestic competition, but we are not fooling ourselves that Austrian competition is like European competition.

"It will be very difficult and we cannot expect a great deal of success. Our midfield is clearly weakened and that could make the difference in the European Cup.

"There will be no lack of effort, though, and Schachner is always capable of scoring goals. He had a fine season last time and we are looking to him to continue that form."

Money, of course, is always at the root of the problem — hence the exodus of the Prohaskas and Austria's Memphis tag. With a posse of top clubs now on his trail Schachner could be the next to depart.

Prohaska and Schachner (10) in action for Austria with Mehmet and Necati of Turkey.

Performer

Schachner was Austria's most dangerous performer when they began their pre-season programme with a friendly against Manchester United in the Prater Stadium.

His pace earned him an early penalty, which he then wasted by lifting the ball into row six. After McIlroy had scored a splendid goal for United Schachner equalised.

United took a tighter hold on the blond in the second half, but Steinkogler put the Austrians ahead. Three minutes from the end, however, Jordan burst through to make it 2-2.

On-looking Aberdeen manager Alex Ferguson said: "They are obviously a good side, very strong all-round. They were heavy-weights compared with most of United's players.

"Clearly our main problem is going to be deciding how to deal with Schachner, who is so very fast and strikes from the left flank.

"We had a similar situation against Frankfurt. They had two men wide, so we put men on them and left a player spare in the middle. It worked out well. Whatever we do, though, Schachner will be the key."

Aberdeen old boy Martin Buchan agrees. Asked what he thought of Schachner the United skipper replied: "I'll tell you when I get my breath back."

Austria don't underestimate Aberdeen, but United's visit left them rather more concerned with preparations off the field. The reason, inevitably, is the 'British disease'.

Following United's first tour match a 1-1 draw against Nuremburg — their fans went on a familiar rampage through the old German city. One hundred and twenty of them were arrested and then slung on to the train to Vienna.

Extra police

Austria, stunned to hear the news from Germany, hurriedly called in extra police for their match. Stock said: "We never expected 200 United supporters to come here for a friendly.

"Now we will have talks with the Aberdeen people and ask them their advice before we make our plans for the second leg. Obviously the number of Scots travelling will depend a lot on the result of the first leg.

The grapevine suggested UEFA were taking a dim view of United's trouble-strewn pre-season matches and we came further South this time in the hope of avoiding trouble."

Surely all Continental clubs must now realise that to invite United is to invite trouble and I have little sympathy for them. But then I said the same thing last year . . . and I fear I will be saying it again next year.

LIKELY contenders for the Cup-Winners' Cup — Legia Warsaw. Certainly if their recent trip to North-West England is anything to go by they must be.

The Poles flexed their muscles with comfortable victories at Wigan (3-0) and Bolton (2-0) and then demolished Manchester City 5-1.

City, having just had a successful pre-season tour of their own, were without three first-team regulars but that must take little away from Legia. Their pace, control and finishing was exceptional.

Captain for the night Kazimiera Deyna, who joined City from Legia, could do no more than watch and admire along with the rest of us as Adamczyk (two); Janas, Okonski and Kusto hit the Poles' goals. Reeves pulled one back for City in the last minute.

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SPAIN by Keir Radnedge

JOSE'S TOUGH TASK

JOSE SANTAMARIA hasn't changed much. He was a craggy centre-half with a quizzical, doubters' expression for an opposing centre-forward; the craggy features have faded with the years, but if anything the expression has grown ever more quizzical.

And not half as quizzical as it may yet become in the two years that stand between Santamaria and the greatest test of his career — guiding Spain's national team into their own World Cup Finals in 1982.

Just over two years ago in Argentina I remember passing the time of day with Santamaria in the street. Our conversation ranged between the weather, the poor state of football in his native Uruguay, and the hash Spain were making of their Argentine campaign.

"We never seem to learn," said Santamaria. "We are never prepared, our teams perform together like total strangers. Kubala? What can one man do? It's an impossible job."

That impossible job is the one Santamaria has just taken on. It could make him one of the greatest names, the most quoted authorities, the most sought-after consultant, in world football. Look what winning the World Cup did for Cesar Menotti.

And so, with that tantalising prospect surrounding this man, let's back-track a little before considering his latest views on the state of Spanish football and the solutions.

José Maria Santamaria Iglesias was born in Montevideo on July 31, 1929, of Spanish parents. He was always going to be a footballer. At 20 he was playing in defence for Nacional of Montevideo. Playing so well he very nearly scraped into the squad which staggered Brazil by snatching the 1950 World Cup in Rio.

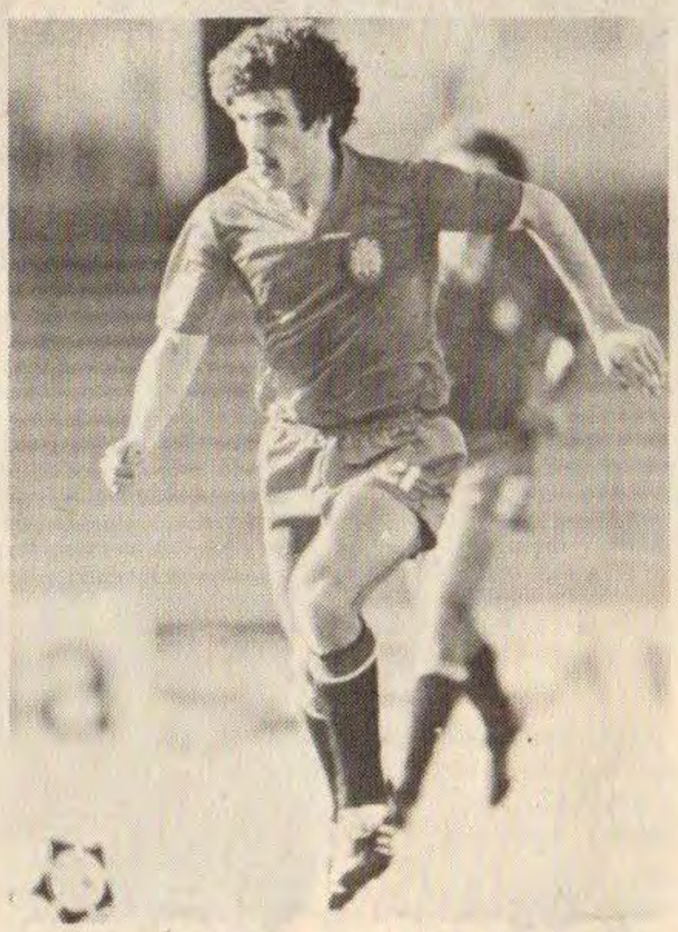
He *was* in Switzerland in 1954, now recognised as one of the world's outstanding central defenders though, in Uruguayan tradition, he wore the No. 2 shirt. Beaten by Hungary 4-2, in a glorious semi-final — sometimes remembered as the "greatest game of all time" — Santamaria returned to apparent seclusion in Montevideo.

Europe's big clubs were interested in South American players all right, but only, it appeared, spectacular forwards . . . until, after 25 appearances for Uruguay, Santamaria was signed by Real Madrid in 1957.

In the next nine years Santamaria collected nine caps for Spain, three Champions' Cup winners' medals, one loser's, and watched from the stands in 1966 as his youthful successors won again. And thus ended Part One.

Part Two — Santamaria the coach — began with Real Madrid, training the youth teams with such gravity and success that in 1968 he was seconded to the federation to take charge of the youngsters of the Olympic team.

Among the players at his command were several who would become famous — Asensi, Santillana, Quini, Solsona, Benito and so on. Santamaria made a sound impression in the corridors of power. The federation took



Jesus Zamora of Spain.

him on with special responsibility for national youth policy and selection.

But all along a nagging doubt remained. His ability had never been put to the day-by-day test of league football. And thus, in 1971, Santamaria accepted an offer from Espanol Barcelona.

Difficult. First, as a long-time Madridista, Santamaria was not immediately welcomed among the Catalans. Secondly, Espanol, teetering on the brink of bankruptcy, presented a tightrope walker's nightmare — the more success, the more players had to be sold. Unbelievably Espanol finished third in 1973, but after five-and-a-half years' battling with the fates — a remarkable length of tenure for any Spanish coach — Santamaria and Espanol parted company.

In September 1978 he was named as 'national team co-ordinator'. His basic responsibility was for the Spanish junior, amateur and Olympic teams. But the implication was obvious: Santamaria was being groomed to take over should it become necessary to ditch Kubala — or should Kubala, after nearly 10 years in charge, feel it impossible to carry on.

Which is where Santamaria now finds himself. So how is he setting about his two-year, success or bust, task?

"A priority has to be a meeting every now and again with all the club coaches, and to form a technical commission with men like Miguel Munoz, Garcia Traid, and Luis Molowny, to advise on the wisest course the national team must take. I have to have full consultations with everyone."

But talking is one thing, when it comes to action only Santamaria can decide. And he has started already.

"We'll run a national team, a B team, an under-21 squad, an under-19 team, the youth section and the under-16s. I will be the sole man in charge. I will decide who plays and who does not. Obviously only 11 men can play in any side at one time. But during the first year I hope to form a squad of players who understand what I want and how I wish to manipulate them.

"The important factor is not personal ambition — it is the World Cup!"

Santamaria, publicly at any rate, thinks he has time to put together a useful team as long as he is allowed to hold regular squad training sessions ,and maintain the game-a-month programme Kubala wisely set under way last year.

But deep down he knows a major revolution is necessary and that he does not have enough time. He has already settled in his mind that nearly half the European championship squad are finished and worries that many of the much-touted younger players are too inexperienced.

It would be easy to take the popular view and start to write Santamaria off already on the grounds that Spain's Olympic side blew up in Moscow. But that would be pointless bearing in mind the odd rules governing selection.

He knows he will be criticised. But already he has made it clear that he won't be blaming any of Kubala's foundations.

"He did a good job. Any manager who lasts 11 years must have done well! He may not agree with many of my decisions. That's football. The game doesn't always make sense. In Italy we drew with the hosts and yet lost to Belgium.

"Now my responsibility is to try to understand how we can become masters of our own destiny. We have good players. We have the facilities, the enthusiasm.

"Our players aren't used to playing two games in three days — that, at least is obvious. But here is something we can work on."

But then, Santamaria has a lot on which to work.

A BIG shock for Real Madrid fans — skipper Pirri, having decided to play one more year, has packed his bags and left for Mexico, to line up for Puebla!

Pirri, with Real Madrid 17 years and whose real name is Jose Martinez Sanchez, had been offered £150,000 for a two-year contract.

After discussions with president Luis De Carlos, Pirri obtained the club's blessing to depart — a reward for 17 years' service now interrupted rather than concluded. For Pirri has been promised a place on Madrid's medical staff once his Mexican stay is over.

Pirri is happy enough. But the fans were horror-struck. For not only have Madrid not signed a new sweeper, they have made no big-money captures at all this summer.

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LADISLAO KUBALA will, after all the denials, run Barcelona's senior squad. Helenio Herrera has grudgingly accepted a post as the club's international 'ambassador'. But Austrian spearhead HANS KRANKL is back.

The BRIAN GLANVILLE column

Bigger goals or smaller people!

YEARS ago, when President Eisenhower reigned in the United States and the egregious John Foster Dulles was his Secretary of State for foreign affairs, the joke was that Eisenhower addressed him: "Don't just say something; stand there!" Much the same might usefully be said, perhaps, by the President of UEFA to the volatile Joao Havelange, President of FIFA. He will, alas, be with us for some time to come, since any ambitions he may possibly have nurtured to obtain the Olympic Presidency have now gone up in smoke. Meanwhile, he seems to be perpetually in motion, and perpetually to come up with some new, if scarcely welcome, idea.

At FIFA's summer conference in Zurich, he was busy patting himself on the back for seven objectives he had achieved on behalf of the organisation. These included the building of the new FIFA House — did anybody need it? — the readmission of China into FIFA, the Coca Colonisation of the underdeveloped footballing areas of the world, the enlargement, God help us, of the 1982 World Cup, and the inauguration of the World Youth Tournament.

While hesitating to accuse so enthusiastic and devoted an administrator as Senhor Havelange of what once used to be called busy idleness, I must be forgiven to failing to share his self-congratulatory glee. The enlargement of the World Cup was one of the planks on which he got himself elected by the Afro-Asians.

Some of us thought it less of a policy than a deeply ill-advised inducement. What happened in last June's European Nations Cup Final in Italy will scarcely have reassured us. Blown up from four teams to eight, run for the first time on a League rather than a knockout basis, they were frequently tedious, and largely ill-attended.

But in Spain we shall have nearly a month of the damned thing, including many teams which have no business to be there, and many matches which will be slightly less attractive than the prospect of watching paint dry. Had I been Senhor Havelange, I think I would have shown sufficient caution to come rushing for applause after, rather than before, the event took place. On second thoughts, perhaps the fellow is more serpentine than I think. He may well have calculated that the 1982 World Cup is going to be such a disaster that he would best cull what credit he can now.

"No South American," a sceptical European administrator remarked to me recently in Italy, "should become President of FIFA." I knew what he meant. South American chiefs have a tendency to the flashy and the grandiose; to putting on a show. It is in precisely these terms that very distinguished European leaders have described the new FIFA house to me, though I have yet to see it myself.

Whether it was needed must remain a matter of opinion. It seemed to me that FIFA and their able secretary Dr. Helmut Kaser did their job perfectly well in the small, pleasantly situated FIFA House there used to be; though in conformity with Parkinson's Law, no doubt a case of sorts could be made by the bureaucratically inclined. Work, said Professor C. Northcote Parkinson — in case you have forgotten — expands to fill the time allotted to it.

As for China, I am glad to see the Chinese back in the fold, as I would be glad to see any of the world's largest countries — though the level of the Chinese national team I saw at Stamford Bridge last year was moderate Third Division. Whether accommodation would have been reached as satisfactorily and morally as it has been, with Taiwan being permitted to stay in FIFA, without strong protests from such as Sir Harold Thompson must be another matter.

The World Youth Tournament still seems to me an excrescence and an abomination, an awful weight to put upon very young players at a time when pressures are already unreasonably severe. I believe some five million people lined the streets of Buenos Aires to welcome back Diego Maradona and the Argentinian team which won the title last year in Tunisia; to me, a horrifying example of distorted values, though to Senhor Havelange, no doubt a triumph. I am deeply sorry that the Football Association have decided to commit an England team to this mistaken tournament in Australia, next year.

But there is still no end to Senhor Havelange's ideas, which seem to shoot from him like sparks from some frenetic catherine wheel. Now the man is telling us that we should have bigger goals and that "walls" should be forbidden at free kicks. Does he not read his own publication, FIFA NEWS, in which his presidential predecessor, Sir Stanley Rous, recently asserted that the fewer changes there be in the laws, the better.

The idea of having larger goals is the kind of idiocy one associates with the North American Soccer League, from expatriates such as Phil Woosnam and Clive Toye, may they be forgiven. The argument, such as it is, runs that people are bigger, so goals should be bigger, the implicit analogy — it is, as I have told you, an American argument in essence — being akin with basketball, where seven feet negroes casually dunk the ball in baskets which have now become absurdly low.

The analogy with soccer is an extremely shaky one. In the case of basketball, scoring had become too easy. In that of soccer, it's suggested that it has become too difficult. At the back of it is the desire of the Americans to make goal scoring a cheaper and more frequent process, thereby contenting and augmenting their ignorant and foolish fans. The truth is that while American football and basketball players have indeed become bigger, soccer players by and large haven't. Look, for example, at today's full-backs, who by and large today are ***smaller*** *than they were early in the century, when the tendency was to prefer huge, beefy men.*

The suggestion that goalkeepers are bigger, and therefore more difficult to beat, is equally absurd. Bigger than Chelsea's first-ever 'keeper, "Fatty" Foulke, the pre-Great War 'keeper who weighed over 21 stone? Bigger than the colossal "Tiny" George or Leigh Richmond Roose, of the same era? The fact is, as everybody versed in soccer knows — even Toye and Woosnam — there is a kind of law of diminishing returns when it comes to size. A huge goalkeeper, by and large, will be much more effective in the air than when it comes to saving shots on the ground. In outfield positions, the larger you are, the slower you are likely to be on the turn. Soccer is not, never has been, and never will be a game for giants. It will, thank goodness, always be a game open to such small men as Pele, Paolo Rossi and Kevin Keegan.

As to the suggestion that barriers be forbidden at free kicks, this is nothing new; and too artificial to be taken seriously. The trouble is, as FIFA themselves complain, that defending teams deliberately waste time before forming a wall at a free kick, and referees have perfectly adequate powers already to punish such offences. Abolish walls, and the probability is that defenders would be even more likely to hold up the taking of a free kick as long as they could, to allow their goalkeeper to sight the ball.

Meanwhile, in good Darwinian fashion, the actuality of the free kick has developed, especially in South America, the phenomenon of the player who can beat it with a swerving shot. The Brazilians do that beautifully; though it would be hard to imagine a better free kick than the one with which Juanito of Spain beat Zoff of Italy to hit the bar.

That was wonderfully worth a goal; the more so as it was given for Collovati's disgraceful "professional" foul on Zamora after he had run superbly more than half the length of the field.

HUNGARY by Leslie Vernon

MESZOLY PLANS NEW NATIONAL SQUAD

TRAVELLING the country was the first task that Kalman Meszoly, the new Hungarian team manager, assigned to himself. During his journeys, he visited every First Division club and held discussions with the managers and players, outlining his plans in the quest for building a "new" national team for the World Cup qualifying competition.

"Without the co-operation of the managers, I have no hope of hitting the target," he says. "We must work out a common plan of playing style, training methods and systems of supervising the physical condition of the players. I have to choose between 4-3-3 and 4-4-2, the former needs a great deal of effort, constant running, positional changes. The aim is to have a numerical advantage over the opposition, both in attack and in defence."

The first "try out" of the new approach came against Slovan Bratislava in Czechoslovakia. The Hungarians arranged to matches with the mid-table Czech side on consecutive days, and it was decided that on the first day, the two "reserve" teams should meet, and on the second, Ondrus, Masny and Co. would face the top selection.

This 4-3-3 team lined-up behind closed doors for the first encounter: Meszaros (Gaspar) — Paroczai (Turner), Kereki, Garaba, Varga — Dajka, Soos, Zombori — Bodonyi, Poloskei (Majer), Kuti.

The "Hungary squad" as they called themselves, dominated the first half, and with the help of four goals (!) by Poloskei, they went ahead 6-0!

But they were tired in the second period, which ended 2-2 for the final result of 8-2. (Goals: Kuti, Zombori, Majer, Bodonyi, Poloskei 4).

On the second day, the "4-4-2" first selection took the field: Katzirz (Meszaros) — Paroczai, Turner, Nagy, J. Toth — Pasztor, Nyilasi (Dajka), Burcsa, Csongradi — Kiss (Poloskei), Torocsik (Bodonyi).

Csongradi scored the first goal for the visitors, but Kusnir equalised before the break, and the same player put the Czechs ahead in the 47th minute.

Torocsik made it 2-2, but the Hungarian defence couldn't hold the imaginative Bratislava forwards, and Marian Masny got the winner for the home team — 3-2 to Slovan!

Meszoly was disappointed but not surprised. "We knew that every beginning is difficult," he said, "and from an unexpected defeat, one can learn quite a great deal. We have to put in a lot more hard work before the friendly full-internationals if we want to progress in the right direction."

Despite the concrete evidence, Meszoly decided to persist with the 4-4-2, and for the next match against a Basque XI in Vitoria, he selected the following team: Katzirz — Paroczai, Turner (Kuti), Garaba, Toth J. — Pasztor, Nyilasi (Kereki), Burcsa, Csongradi — Kiss (Poloskei), Torocsik.

The Spaniards were mainly drawn from the Atletico Bilbao side, and represented quite a reasonable playing strength, so the Hungarians' 5-1 victory (Nyilasi 2, Pasztor, Kiss, Burcsa — Amorrortu) was a highly satisfactory result.

The standard of play itself was also pleasing, and although one must not draw too many conclusions from matches against club sides, there seems to be a chink of light at the end of the tunnel. Now, Hungary will face Sweden and the might of the Soviet Union in full scale internationals in Budapest, and the results against such opposition should give a better indication of the strength of their national team.

One must not forget that "foreign legionnaire" Balint will be available for these matches, and if necessary, the newly departed Fazekas (Antwerp) can also be recalled. Incidentally, Sandor Muller, ex-Vasas, has also joined the same Belgian club, and Salamon of Diosgyor has signed for Paok Salonica in Greece.

The new system of allowing only 20 players to form the squad for the championship is working quite well, and over one hundred ex-First Division footballers have drifted into the reconstructed Second Division.

I have had a few requests from readers to write more about the statistical details of Hungarian Football, and to oblige them, this month, we publish the names of the teams who will form the "new" Second Divisions. There are three groups, and only the champions are promoted into the First Division at the end of the season.

Eastern Group: Hajdu-Boszormeny, Salgotarjan, Karcag, Miskolc, Gyula, Asztalos, D. Kinizsi, Lehel, Szolnok, Kazincbarcika, Eger, Ozd, Szarvas, Debrecen University, Gyongyos, Honved Papp J., Borsod, Honved Szabo L., Nagybatony, Hodmezovasarhely.

Central Group: Penzugyor, Bem, B.V.S.C., Vac, Epitok, Szegedi Dozsa, B.K.V. Elore, Dunaujvarosi Epitok, Budafok, Balassagyarmat, Dorog, Kossuth, Oroszlany, Kecskemet, Szeol, Szekesfehervar, Delep, Spartacus, 22 Volan, Ganz-Mavag.

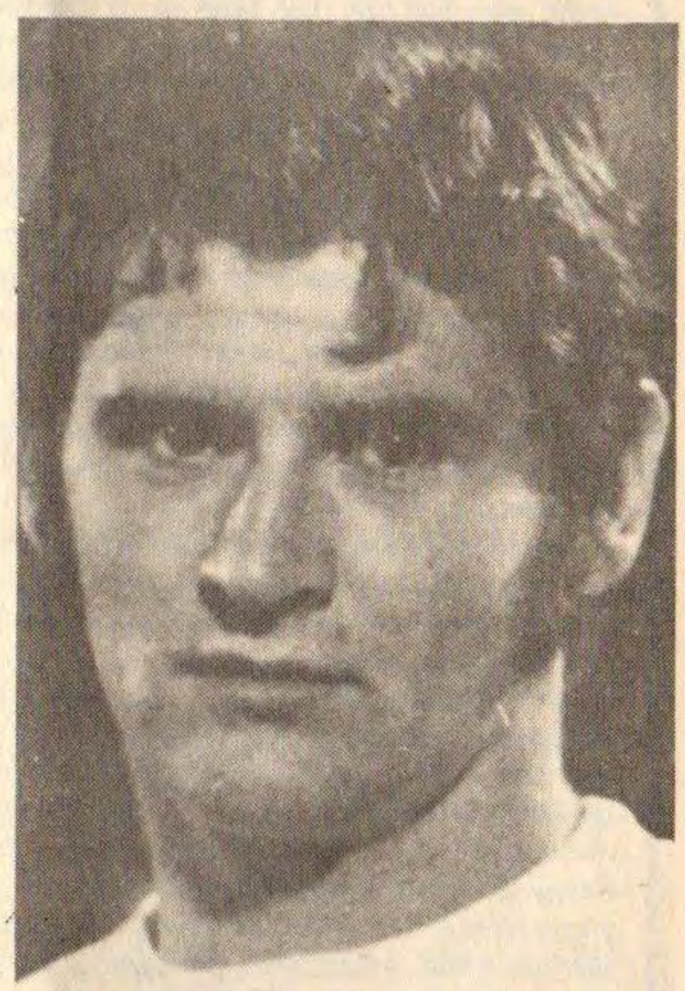
Western Group: Pecs, Haladas, Olajbanyasz, Ajka, Sopron, Szekszard, Sabaria, Komlo, Mohacs, M.A.V., D.A.C., Tapolcza, Bakony Vegyesz, Babolna, Varpalota, Pet, Dombovar, Nike Fuzfo, Keszthely, Sellye, Rakoczi.

The place of Fazekas will be filled by young Heredi at Dozsa in this 20-strong squad: Rothermel, Kollar, Viczko, E. Dunai, Kardos, J. Toth, Kolar, Juracsik, Sarlos, B. Kovacs, Kiss, A. Toth, L. Nagy, Steidl, Torocsik, Fekete, Bodnar, Boda, Heredi, Miklos.

This is a strong squad, with the newly signed Bela Kovacs (ex-MTK) as a significant reinforcement at midfield. As Torocsik is fully fit now, there shouldn't be any hiccups up-front either, a great deal depends on the effectiveness of Heredi instead of Fazekas, who was, after all, the team's top-scorer.

Nevertheless, many experts regard Dozsa as No. 1 candidate for the championship, with Vasas and Honved as their most serious rivals. Dozsa drew tough opposition in Real Sociedad in the UEFA-Cup, and Vasas haven't got a much easier task in the same competition against Boavista of Portugal.

Honved ought to beat La Valetta in the preliminary round of the European Cup, and then they will face Sporting Lisbon — a fifty-fifty proposition. Diosgyor have lost too many players during the summer, and I cannot see them beating Celtic in the Cup Winners' Cup.



Laszlo Balint

FRANCE by Andre Duclos

Six moves to pastures new in Belgium...

DIDIER SIX, the eternal *enfant terrible* of French football is off to pastures new. After an unhappy season at Marseilles, who slid into the Second Division, he has been transferred to Bruges, of the Belgian League. It's a loss to French football, to which Didier, whom some experts describe as the best left-winger in Europe, still hopes to return; but clearly he feels he needs a new start.

He says that he realises that his behaviour a couple of years ago, when he crashed a car late at night during what was supposed to be a "stage" of the French international team at Saint Germain, dissipated much of the goodwill he had acquired through his fine performances in Argentina.

He could, he knows, have gone to Strasbourg, but here was another club in difficulty after years of success and, besides, he knew that Gilbert Gress, their decisive manager, didn't want him; which would have been a very bad start. Fears of again joining a club which promptly went down to the Second Division were also on his mind.

At Marseilles, he says, he feels he had a good half-season, the other half being blemished by injury. He speaks warmly of Zvunka, his manager, there, and even of the general manager, the former French international defender Bernard Bosquier. Bosquier, says Six, put any number of obstacles in his way, but this too, in a negative sense, was a help.

Now Bruges have this gifted, controversial, inconsistent player who a few years ago was scoring goals for Lens; and it remains to be seen whether he can truly fulfil his promise across the border in Belgium. Obviously a Didier Six in form would be a great help in the tough World Cup qualifying competition where, ironically enough, France have to play Belgium; as well as both Holland and Eire.

Sad news that the Nancy-Lorraine club have lost their chief inspiration, Claude Cuny, who as President raised football in Nancy from the dead and gave that city a first-class professional club again, after long years of sterility. In a long statement, Cuny explained the reasons for his departure, but they boiled down quite simply to the fact that he simply hasn't been given, at any level, the support he expected and surely deserved.

He and the other founders of the new club, he said, wanted to gather around them the support of the whole region. The French Federation is among the organisations which has disappointed him. He says it wants a flourishing professional game without taking any of the measures or lending any of the support necessary to create it.

Problems

Some consolation for Nancy lay in the fact that at least, after a long wrangle, they managed to sign the Laval midfielder Patrick Delamontagne, who was authorised to sign for them in the end by a meeting of the French Football League. Luckier than Auxerre, who ran into all sorts of problems with the Poles after the famous centre-forward Szarmach agreed to sign for them.

Monaco, French Cup holders and therefore French challengers in the Cup-winners' Cup, have had something of a clean out. Onnis has gone, Dalger, that thrustful outside-right, has gone, Gardon and Nogues have gone, too. Their President, Jean-Louis Campora, insists that there was no alternative, and that no harm will be done to the team. We shall have to see.

Meanwhile, it was none too reassuring that Milla, the Cameroons centre-forward who will be expected to make up for the departure of Onnis, blithely took off on a soccer tour of Africa without troubling to tell anybody. The club tried very hard to sign Hans Krankl; but then, didn't almost everybody? They have, however, got the Swiss midfielder, Barberis.

Onnis, meanwhile, wasn't a bit pleased that Monaco should have given his age, at the time of his transfer to Tours, at 32 and a half when in fact, he insisted, it was then 32 and a couple of months. Onnis is still bitter about the way Monaco let him go, after six splendid years of service.

He complains that when last season he had to go into hospital for an operation to his knee ligaments — an injury which may well have cost his club the Championship — he lay there for ten days without any visit from a member of the club, though Prince Rainier did send him a telegram.

He speaks readily of Erwin Kostedde, the black German with whom he finished joint top scorer of last season's Championship; though as he says, his three months out of the game had something to do with that. He was, though, he says, doubly consoled by the success of Kostedde, first because he was 35 years old, secondly because he scored all those goals for a little club like Laval; Tours, just promoted from Division Two, being another such.

Since he came to Reims, he says, in 1971, there has been a revolution in French football, which he now finds far more professional. In those years he has scored no fewer than 226 goals, so that the magic figure of 250 must heave on the horizon, but he does not want, he says, to be regarded merely as a goal-scoring machine. "I'll have to adapt to the team, and the team will have to adapt to me." Fair enough. And Monaco may yet regret letting him go.

Meanwhile, Paris Saint Germain, having signed Rocheteau, had to resign themselves to losing the Portuguese black-gloved international Joao Alves, who did not consider them a club with sufficiently serious ambitions. Alves, who had scarcely come to Paris before he badly broke a leg, officially announced that he was homesick for Portugal; but there was rather more to it than that. So Paris S-G went in hard for the much coveted Laval player Patrick Delamontagne, who in fact had already reached agreement with Nancy for the current season; a tangled affair indeed. Paris S-G ended by re-signing the clever Mustapha Dahleb.

Still, after all the iffing and butting last season, at least Georges Peyroche is still in the driving seat as manager, after that so-called period of probation. He turned the club round commendably last season, and surely if anyone wants a guarantee of seriousness, they can find it in the presence of this often explosive and controversial but unquestionably dedicated figure.

Monaco's left-winger Christian Dalger (left) is beaten to the ball by Bruno Germain (No. 6 of Orlean) and Andre Bodji (ground) during the 1980 French Cup Final in the Parc de Prince in Paris.

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Champions' Cup: BANIK OSTRAVA. 2-2 (6). Made sure of the league last season after being pipped on goal difference the previous year, when they were also beaten in the cup final. The miners' team, they supplied three players to the European championship effort — centre back Rostislav Vojacek and forwards Petr Nemec and Werner Licka. Though only Vojacek played in Italy, it was Licka and club colleague Sreiner who grabbed the semi-final goals which beat Yugoslavia in the Olympics. Coach is Evzen Hadamcik. **Drawn** against IBV of Iceland.

Cup-winners' Cup: SPARTA PRAGUE. 13-4 (8). The greatest of Czech clubs, establishing their reputation throughout Central Europe with their successes in the Mitropa Cup in the 1930s. The last 25 years have been sad ones, with Sparta even having to suffer a temporary change of name to Spartak Sokolovo. There's also been the cross of relegation and though Sparta are still record holders for league wins, their last success in 1967 has been the only one in the past 26 years. Won the cup by beating Lokomotiv Kosice 2-0 and have been strengthened for Europe with the signing of Jan Berger, the Dukla midfielder. Berger, 24, was a member of the European championship squad along with Sparta's only representative, veteran midfielder Jaroslav Pollak. **Drawn** against Spora Luxembourg.

UEFA Cup: ZBROJOVKO BRNO. 1-0 (2). Surprise champions in 1978 under the guidance of ex-Dukla star Josef Masopust, but he's now left for Hasselt in Belgium, and Valer Svec has taken over the reins. Beaten 6-4 on aggregate by eventual winners Eintrcht Frankfurt in the quarter finals of last season's UEFA Cup. Key forward remains Karel Kroupa though for goals Brno hope to rely on Petr Janecka — if he's recovered fitness after the injuries which cost him a place in both the European championship and Olympic squads. **Drawn** against VÖEST Linz.

BOHEMIANS PRAGUE. 0-0 (2). Beaten by Bayern Munich in the first round of the UEFA Cup last season. Top players for the past few years have been utility defender Karel Dobias and midfielder Antonin Panenka — the man whose penalty brought Czechoslovakia the 1976 European championship. But both — and Panenka in particular — had hopes of a free transfer West before the new season. Panenka played, of course, for the Czechs in Italy and returned home to hit four goals in a 5-1 Into-Toto thrashing of West Germany's Werder. **Drawn** against Gijon of Spain.

DENMARK

Champions' Cup: ESBJERG. 5-2 (7). Had the best average attendance of 6,550 in Denmark last year and the championship victory — their first since a hat-trick in the early 1960s — overshadowed the disappointment of a hammering by Zbrojovka Brno in the first round of the UEFA Cup. They made a poor start this summer however in the bid to defend their title and a managerial change is likely shortly, with ex-Werder Bremen youth coach Jürgen Wähling in line to take over. **Drawn** against Halmstad of Sweden.

Cup-winners' Cup: HVIDOVRE. 2-1 (5). Won the cup for the first time when they beat Lyngby 5-3. Lost 0-0, 1-2 to Ruch Chorzow in the first round of the Champions' Cup in 1974 on their last European campaign. **Drawn** against Fram Reykjavik.

UEFA Cup: KB COPENHAGEN. 14-1 (8). One of the oldest clubs in European competition, founded 104-years ago. Were early leaders last year, but a series of injuries provoked their downfall. **Drawn** against Grasshoppers.

EAST GERMANY

Champions' Cup: DYNAMO BERLIN. 2-1 (5). Snatched the title from the grasp of Dynamo Dresden right at the last moment to regain the crown they won so overwhelmingly the previous season. The side who inflicted Nottingham Forest's first-ever Champions' Cup defeat — and that at the City Ground! — also supplied the backbone for the East German Olympic team. Hans-Jürgen Riediger remains their most potent attacker. **Drawn** against Apoel Nicosia.

Cup-winners' Cup: CARL ZEISS JENA. 3-5 (13). Won the Cup by beating Erfurt 3-1 in extra time. Known as Motor Jena until a takeover by the famous optics organisation in the early 1960s. Won the league three times in six years then thanks to the Ducke brothers, Roland and Peter, who at one stage held between them both league goals and appearances records. Later joined by 1974 World Cup skipper and sweeper Bernd Bransch and left-winger Eberhard Vogel. Ony Vogel remains now, on the verge of retirement, one of several veterans, who include international goalkeeper Ullrich Grapenthin. Konrad Weise and Lothar Kurbjuweit are other senior internationals in defence and Lutz Lindemann in midfield is a regular choice for his country. Beat West Bromwich in the first round of the UEFA Cup last season before going out to Red Star Belgrade. **Drawn** against Roma.

UEFA Cup: DYNAMO DRESDEN. 6-2 (10). Backbone of the 1974 World Cup team and highly praised by Liverpool three years ago for their skill, teamwork and spirit, Hans-Jürgen Dörner remains the kingpin in defence, with Reinhard Haefner organising the midfield. But for all that they were pipped on the post by Dynamo Berlin in the league after leading virtually all the way. **Drawn** against Napredak of Yugoslavia.

MAGDEBURG. 3-4 (11). Cup winners in 1978 and 1979 and the only East German club to have landed a European title, when they won the Cup-winners' Cup against Milan in Rotterdam in 1974. Jürgan Pommerenke has switched back into defence now, but Martin Hoffmann remains on the wing and Joachim Streich is the top scorer. Lost to Stuttgart on the away goal in last season's second round. **Drawn** against Moss of Norway.

VORAWERTS. 6-2 (10). The army club, making only their second appearance in Europe since moving from East Berlin to Frankfurt an der Oder in 1971. **Drawn** against Ballymena United.

ENGLAND

Champions' Cup: NOTTINGHAM FOREST. 1-2 (4). Holders for the past two years, having beaten Malmö 1-0 in Munich in 1979, and Hamburg by the same margin in Madrid last May. Brian Clough has spent heavily during the summer to strengthen his team, paying Coventry 1.2 million for Scotland striker Ian Wallace, and making his foreign capture in the naturalised Swiss midfielder, Raimundo Ponte, from Grasshoppers. **Drawn** against CSKA Sofia.

LIVERPOOL. 12-2 (16). Record English champions and twice winners of the Champions' Cup before Forest beat them and took over. Much the same team as before, having supplied goalkeeper Ray Clemence, defenders Phil Neal and Phil Thompson, midfielders Ray Kennedy and Terry McDermott and centre forward David Johnson to England's European championship effort. Add to that the goals potential of Kenny Dalglish and there seems no reason why Liverpool should not go a lot further than last year, when Dynamo Tbilisi put them out in the first round. Twice former winners of the UEFA Cup, and once finalists in the Cup-winners' Cup. **Drawn** against OPs Oulun of Finland.

Cup-winners' Cup: WEST HAM. 0-3 (3). Second division side whose failure to regain the top flight was offset by the 1-0 FA Cup win over Arsenal. This is their fourth campaign in Europe — all of them in the Cup-winners' Cup, which they won at the first time of asking in 1965 (2-0 v 1860 München) and in which they were beaten finalists in 1976 (2-4 v Anderlecht *in* Brussels). **Drawn** against Castilla.

UEFA Cup: IPSWICH. 1-1 (7). One of the pioneers in the foreign transfer market, and very successful too with Arnold Muhren and Frans Thijssen. Lost on the away goal to Grasshoppers in the second round last season. **Drawn** against Aris Salonika.

WOLVES. 3-4 (6). Qualified thanks to the Wembley overthrow of League Cup holders Nottingham Forest by 1-0 — a goal scored by Andy Gray, at £1.5 million the most expensive player in Britain when he joined less than a year ago from Aston Villa. UEFA Cup runners-up to Tottenham in 1972. **Drawn** against PSC Eindhoven.

MANCHESTER UNITED. 7-4 (9). The usual mixture of big-money buys and 'home-grown' Irishmen. Failed in their bid to land Liam Brady, but have plenty of talent in Ray Wilkins, Joe Jordan, Gorden McQueen, Martin Buchan, Lou Macari, Gary Bailey and Co. Champions' Cup winners in 1968. **Drawn** against Widzew Lodz.

FINLAND

Champions' Cup. OPs OULUN. 1-0 (—). Their first league win means their first appearance in Europe. Had been in the first division only four years but boast a number of useful young players. Seppo Pyykko has left for West Germany, but Juhani Himanka remains in attack, Leo Houtsonen as stopper and Jukka Rantanen in goal. OPs (Oulan Palloseura) lost only three of their 29 games last season and won the title from KuPs Kuopio by one point after the concluding mini-league. **Drawn** against Liverpool.

Cup-winners' Cup: ILVES TAMPERE. 1-1 (1). Won the cup by beating TPs (Turku) 2-0 thanks to goals from Niinimaki and his substitute, Vourinen. In their ony previous European appearance, in 1970-71, they lost 5-4 on aggregate to Sturm Graz in the first round of the Fairs' Cup. **Drawn** against Feyenoord.

UEFA Cup: KUOPION PALLOSEURA. 5-1 (8). Joint record-holders with their five league wins, though the last is now four years back. Beaten home and away by Malmö in last year's first round. **Drawn** against Saint-Etienne.

FRANCE

Champions' Cup: NANTES. 5-1 (9). Won a tough battle at the top to edge ahead of Saint-Etienne, Sochaux and Monaco under the matter-of-fact guidance of Jean Vincent, the outside left with Reims and France in the great era of the 1950s. Lost 5-2 on aggregate to Valencia in the Cup-winners' semi-finals last season. Team is little changed from that of the past couple of years. World Cup Bertrand Demanes in goal, Maxime Bossis, Patrice Rio and Henri Michel remain in defence, with Bruno Baronchelli and Loic Amisse dangerous raiding wingers. The only personnel change of note has been the transfer of the unsettled Argentine, Victor Trossero, to Monaco. **Drawn** against Linfield, with the away leg to be played in Haarlem (Holland) because of UEFA disciplinary action against the Northern Irish.

Cup-winners' Cup: MONACO. 3-3 (5). Beat second division Orleans 3-1 to win the cup and return to Europe, where they lost in the UEFA Cup second round to Lokomotiv Sofia last year, Have surprisingly sold Argentine top-scorer Delio Onnis to promoted Tours, but given the side greater all-round strength with the addition of Victor Trossero (Nantes) and Swiss footballer of the year Umberto Barberis (fromn Servette). Coach is the underrated Gerard Banide. **Drawn** against holders Valencia.

UEFA Cup: SAINT-ETIENNE. 9-6 (13). The favourites with much of the Press since reaching the 1976 Champions' Cup Final, where they lost 1-0 to Bayern Munich. Roger Rocher remains as president and Robert Herbin is still the irascible coach, but the playing staff has changed a great deal. This summer has seen the sale of the fitfully brilliant Dominique Rocheteau to Paris Saint-Germain and though international defender Patrick Battiston has arrived from Monaco, the *Verts* remain in a period of transition. Michel Platini will probably play in midfield this year rather than in attack. But the uncertainty over the future of Johnny Rep will hardly help the brilliant youngster, Laurent Rousset, settle into the forward line. **Drawn** against Luopio Palloseura.

SOCHAUX. 2-1 (2). A revelation last season, thanks to a large extent to the fine young centre forward, Yannick Stopyra. Carefully guided by manager Rene Hauss, Stopyra emerged as one of Europe's most promising talents, encouraging a bid from Borussia Moenchengladbach. Alongside Stopyra are veteran Saint-Etienne forward Patrick Revelli as well as the spirited midfielder, Bernard Genghini. **Drawn** against Servette.

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GREECE

Champions' Cup. OLYMPIAKOS PIRAEUS. 21-17 (19). Won the title by defeating Aris Salonika 2-0 in a play-off after both teams finished level on points. It was the second year in succession Olympiakos had finished joint top, but in 1979 they withdrew from the decider with AEK as a protest — and a costly one! — against bad refereeing. Provided only three players to the European championship effort — right back Jannis Kyrastas, the club captain, midfielder Demetriou Nikoloudis and striker Mike Galakos. The man to whom they look for goals in Sweden's Thomas Ahlstroem. **Drawn** against Bayern Munich.

Cup-winners' Cup: KASTORIA. 0-1 (—). Won their first major prize, the cup, with a surprise 5-2 win over an Iraklis team whose morale was at rock-bottom after they had been caught out bribing their semi final opponents. Kastoria, who managed to steer clear of the dirt flying around last season, were such outsiders that not one man made the European championship squad. **Drawn** against dynamo Tbilisi.

UEFA Cup: ARIS SALONIKA. 3-1 (7). Finished joint top on points with Olympiakos, then lost the play-off 2-0. That was under the management of Frank Blunstone, who had taken over in midseason, but didn't survive this last defeat. Aris beat Benfica in the first round last season before going down to Saint-Etienne in the third. Had three men in the European squad — goalkeeper Stellios Papfloratos, stopper or sweeper Georgios Firos, and midfielder Kostas Kouis. **Drawn** against Ipswich.

PANATHINAIKOS. 12-6 (15). Champions' Cup runners-up to Ajax in 1971, but far from a reptition of those glories now. Founded in 1908 their fortunes were revived in 1977 by the Polish coach, Kazimierz Gorski. Despite winning the double, he didn't last much longer. Lakis Petropoulos took over at the start of last season, but was overthrown by a players' revolt. Les Shannon stood in as caretaker before the Italo-Argentine, Bruno Pesoala, became their fourth coach in nine months. Pesaola lifted them up the table but quit at the season's end, and now Ronnie Allen (ex-Wolves, Bilbao, West Bromwich and Saudi Arabia) is in charge. Two Argentine forwards, Antonio Andreuchi and Nestor Agueropolis, are on the way after some South American scouting by consultant Sir Alf Ramsey, to add to the four European championship men — goalkeeper Vassilou Konstantinou, centre back Anthimos Kapsis, and midfielders Christos Tersanidis and Spyros Livanthinos. **Drawn** against Juventus.

HOLLAND

Champions' Cup: AJAX AMSTERDAM. 19-8 (17). Three-timnes winners of the Champions' Cup in the early 1970s and semi-finalists last season. But now Ajax appear far weaker even than the team who won the Dutch league last season and were runners-up in the cup. The departure of Rudi Krol was one major blow, the sale of Simon Tahamata to Standard Liege another. Piet Hamberg has returned home from Servette to lead the attack, there is a new goalkeeper in Den Haag's Hans Galje and the Dane, Steen Ziegler, takes over from Krol. But the prospects of an Ajax resurgence are dim. Record champions and cup-winners in Holland. **Drawn** against Dinamo Tirana.

Cup-winners' Cup: FEYENOORD. 12-5 (13). The first Dutch team to land a European title — the Champions' Cup in 1970 — won the domestic cup by beating AJax 3-1 under the leadership of Vaclav Jezek, the man who took Czechoslovakia to the European championship in 1976. They rely heavily for goals on the Icelander, Petur Petursson, but have lost Michel Van der Korput from the centre of defence. He's off to Italy to play for Torino. To replace him Feyenoord have signed Luk Balkenstein from neighbours Sparta. Right back Ben Wijnstekers — the club's other European, after Korput — has decided to stay on and sign a new contract. **Drawn** against Ilves Tampere.

UEFA Cup: AZ'67 ALKMAAR. 0-1 (2). Formed through a merger in 1967 — hence the name — and have a number of talented players, although knee trouble has all but finished the career of young Jan Peters, England's 1977 hangman. Had three men in the Dutch squad for Italy — left back Hugo Hovenkamp, reserve midfielder Johnny Metgod (who stayed at home on standby) and top-scoring striker Kees Kist — who was wasted inexplicably in the national team's midfield after hitting 27 goals in the league. **Drawn** against Red Boys of Luxembourg.

PSV EINDHOVEN. 7-4 (11). The club of electrics giant, Philips. Champions' Cup semi-finalists in 1976 and UEFA Cup winners in 1978 thanks to the efforts of the Van der Kerkhof twins. But Rene has now left, so has goalkeeper Jan Van Beveren and PSV must rebuild. Ernie Brandts, Jan Poortvliet, Huub Stevens, Willy Van der Kerkhof and Adrie Koster were all in Italy with Holland. But Koster's fitness is in doubt — he barely played a dozen games after his switch from Roda last summer — and it will need more than the signing of veteran goalkeeper Pim Doesburg from Sparta to refurbish the team. **Drawn** against Wolves.

TWENTE ENSCHEDE. 0-1 (8). Experienced in Europe though they've never been in the Champions' Cup and have lost the edge of a few years back when the young Thijssen and before him the Van der Kerkhof twins were their stars. Reached the UEFA Cup Final in 1975 but now, five years later, could provide only two of the reserves in Holland's European finals squad — defender Romeo Zondervan, and midfielder Heine Otto. **Drawn** against Arges Pitesti.

HUNGARY

Champions' Cup: HONVED. 6-1 (9). A famous name back in Europe, yet this was the first time Honved had won the championship since the final days of Puskas, Kocsis, Czibor and co in the mid-1950s. A link remains with those great days, however, for coach now is Lajos Tichy, who was then just forging a way as a youngster into the Honved first team. Most consistent player over the past couple of years has been midfielder Sandor Pinter. It was after he was injured that Honved lost their lead in the league race in the previous season. Pinter's form was so lively this last year that he has been the subject of a remarkable transfer bid from . . . Hajduk Split of Yugoslavia! **Drawn** against Valletta in the preliminary round with the prospect of a first round tie against Sporting Lisbon.

Cup-winners' Cup: DIOSGYOER. 0-2 (2). Surprise cup-winners in 1977 but couldn't get one man into Hungary's World Cup 40. That didn't stop Karoly Lakat, when he took over the national/Olympic team from picking the Diosgyoer side virtually *en bloc*. In vain. Hungary failed to qualify. Diosgyoer nevertheless went on to regain the cup with a 3-1 win over Vasas — a farewell match for veteran centre back Josef Salamon, who has been 'rewarded' with a free transfer to Paok of Greece. **Drawn** against Celtic in the preliminary round, with the prospect of a first round tie against Politechnia Timisoara.

UEFA Cup: VASAS. 6-1 (9). Not the European force they once were even if Ferenc Meszaros is still dependable in goal and Bela Varadi goes on grabbing goals from outside left — not enough, though, to prevent Vases' 3-1 defeat by Diosgyoer in the cup final. **Drawn** against Boavista.

UJPEST DOZSA. 18-4 (18). Slumped badly at the start of the season in the bid to retain the championship and despite the sharp shooting of veteran Laszlo Fazekas (36 goals) never threatened Honved at the top. Andras Torocsik returned brilliantly for the last stage of the season after his disciplinary, injury and personal problems and promises to escape the notoriety earned after that sending off against Argentina in the last World Cup finals. That's good news for Ujpest, since Fazekas, at 33, has been granted a free transfer to Belgian club, Antwerp. **Drawn** against Real Sociedad.

ICELAND

Champions' Cup: IB VESTMANNAEYJAR. 2-2 (4). The club from the live volcano Vestmann Islands qualified for the UEFA Cup in 1977, at the end of their first season back in the first division. Scored a comparatively major triumph when they eliminated the Irish club Glentoran on the away goal in the first round, but found Slask Wroclaw too much at the next step. **Drawn** against Banik Ostrava.

Cup-winners' Cup: FRAM REYKJAVIK. 15-2 (5). Thrashed 0-6, 0-2 by Start of Norway on their last outing in Europe, in the UEFA Cup first round three years ago. **Drawn** against Hvidovre of Denmark.

UEFA Cup: IA AKRANES. 10-1 (7). Backbone of the Iceland team who beat East Germany and later Northern Ireland. Coached by a German, Klaus-Jürgen Hilpert. Lost their most outstanding goalscorer, Petur Petursson, to Feyenoord but appear to have discovered a lively replacement in Kristinn Björnsson. **Drawn** against Köln — their opponents in the Champions's Cup in 1978-79.

ITALY

Champions' Cup: INTERNAZIONALE. 12-2 (18). Led from start to finish last season, a success that went almost unnoticed amid the bribes and betting scandal — which never touched the former double world and European champions. Coached again by Eugenio Bersellini, Inter have taken advantage of the permit to sign a foreigner by landing Austria's creative midfield Herbert Prohaska. With that sort of support Sandro Altobelli, second top scorer in the league last season, could enhance a reputation kindled both in the UEFA Cup last season — when Inter went out after a second round extra time home defeat by Borussia Mg — and in the European championship. Altobelli was one of four Inter players in Italy's squad. The others were goalkeeper Ivano Bordon, defenders Giuseppe Baresi and Bagriele Oriali. **Drawn** against Universitatea Craiova.

Cup-winners' Cup: ROMA. 1-3 (9). One-time Fairs' Cup winners who earned their place by winning the cup against Torino on penalties 6-5 after a goalless final. Coached by Swede Nils Liedholm, whom they tempted away in 1979 after he'd guided Milan to the championship. Favourite with the fans is £1 million ex-Genoa centre forward Roberto Pruzzo, the man who took Paolo Rossi's place in Italy's European championship squad, but failed to get a game. **Drawn** against Carl Zeiss Jena.

UEFA Cup: JUVENTUS. 18-6 (20). Record winners of both the league and cup, but breathing signs of relief after escaping unpunished from hearings in the betting and bribes scandal. The team were seen again during the European championship finals as the backbone of the national side. But the poor form of Franco Causio and Roberto Bettega was hardly good news and the only move Juve have made to strengthen or rejuvenate was the last-ditch capture of the Republic of Ireland midfielder Liam Brady, from Arsenal. **Drawn** against Panathinaikos.

TORINO. 8-4 (11). Beaten in the cup final on penalties after a goalless draw with Roma. Managed to hang on to Italy centre forward Francesco Graziani, when it seemed he was all set for Stuttgart and the Bundesliga, and will rely heavily on his courage and bravery in Europe. Midfielders Claudio and Patrizio Sala are no longer the forces they once were, even if Eraldo Pecci blossomed last season as a man with the potential to run a game. **Drawn** against RWD Molenbeek.

LUXEMBOURG

Champions' Cup: JEUNESSE D'ESCH. 17-7 (14). Only Luxembourg club ever to have made any sort of a ripple in Europe, embarrassing Liverpool a few years back. Won the championship more times than anyone else. **Drawn** against Moscow Spartak.

Cup-winners' Cup: SPORA. 10-11 (6). The No 2 club in Luxembourg on domestic achievement, behind Jeunesse. Beat Progres Niedercorn 3-2 after extra time in the cup final. This is their first appearance in Europe for 13 years. **Drawn** against Sparta Prague.

UEFA Cup: RED BOYS DIFFERDANGE. 6-14 (5). Won the cup a record number of times, the last occasion in 1979 when they took the double. Goalkeeper Jeannot Moes, for years the national team's No 1, remains their best-known player. **Drawn** against Alkmaar.

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MALTA

Champions' Cup: VALLETTA. 11-5 (8). Double winners in 1978 but with nothing to boast about in Europe despite the presence of one of Malta's most consistent midfielders, Emmanuel Farrugia. Weren't far off a clean sweep again last season, winning also the Independence Cup and the Sons of Malta Cup (donated by Maltese living in the United States). **Drawn** against Honved in the preliminary round, with Sporting Lisbon the opponents if they win that.

Cup-winners' Cup: HIBERNIAN. 4-3 (11). Went out to Dundalk in the first round of the Champions' Cup last season, 1-2 on aggregate. Took the domestic cup by defeating Sliema Wanderers, by 2-1. **Drawn** against Waterford.

UEFA Cup: SLIEMA WANDERERS. 21-16 (15). Malta's most experienced campaigners in Europe, including in goal Victor Sciberras, the hero of that 0-0 draw against West Germany in the European championship qualifiers. Sliema have won the domestic cup a record number of times but just missed out all the way round last season, finishing runners-up in both league and cup. **Drawn** against Barcelona.

NORTHERN IRELAND

Champions' Cup: LINFIELD. 33-32 (13). Won the double, and have been champions for the past three years, on the run. Have won the league and cup more than any other club, but that has meant nothing in Europe — except trouble, when rioting broke out during last season's first round tie against Dundalk. UEFA's disciplinary action meant the second leg had to go to Haarlem in Holland, where Linfield will stage their 'home' leg again this autumn. **Drawn** against Nantes.

Cup-winners' Cup: CRUSADERS. 2-1 (4). Lost the cup final 2-0 to Linfield but enter their fourth European campaign as lucky losers since Linfield also won the championship. **Drawn** against Newport of Wales.

UEFA Cup: BALLYMENA. 0-3 (1). Plenty of progress here, for Ballymena have moved from second to bottom up to second from the top in just two years. **Drawn** against Vorwaerts of East Germany.

NORWAY

Champions' Cup: VIKING STAVANGER. 6-3 (6). Won the treble last year — league, cup and youth cup — under Tony Knapp, the one-time Leicester and Southampton defender who did so well in Iceland as national manager. Illness, injuries and complacency this year have upset however a squad in which Svein Kvia remains a key man in midfield. **Drawn** against Red Star Belgrade.

Cup-winners' Cup: HAUGAR. 0-0- (—). A first attempt in Europe for Haugar, the second division surprises who came through to the cup final last year, beating Start and Mjöndalen before going down narrowly by 2-1 to Viking in the final. **Drawn** against Sion.

UEFA Cup: MOSS FK. 0-0 (—). Another newcomer to European competition but without their best player of recent years, sweeper Einar Aas, who left during the winter to try his luck in the Bundesliga with Bayern Munich. **Drawn** against Magdeburg.

POLAND

Champions' Cup: SZOMBIERKI BYTOM. 0-0 (—). Out of nowhere appear Szombierki, surprise champions of Poland, with a total lack of European pedigree. Best player over the past couple of years has been defender Rudolf Wojtowicz, who was on the fringe of the national team in 1978 but was eventually overlooked for the World Cup squad. Szombierki were knocked out of the domestic cup in the early rounds by a second division side but led the first division by the winter break, rounding off the first half of the season with an impressive 5-0 thrashing of Legia, in which Roman Ogaza hit a hat-trick. **Drawn** against Trabzonspor.

Cup-winners' Cup: LEGIA WARSAW. 4-6 (11). The old club of 1972 Olympic and 1974 World Cup heroes, Robert Gadocha and Kaziu Deyna. Legia won the cup with a convincing 5-0 win over Lech Poznan in the final. **Drawn** against Slavia Sofia.

UEFA Cup: WIDZEW LODZ. 0-0 (2). Back in Europe for a second year running. Pipped on goal difference for the league crown in 1979 by Ruch. Fans known to have short fuses haven't always helped the club. The star is 24-year-old Zbigniew Boniek, the best of Poland's new generation. Made his initial impression in, almost single-handed, sinking Manchester City in Europe. Throughout the summer Boniek was the subject of an Italian attempt, by Juventus, to move him to professional play in the West. Juve pulled all the strings available — from Fiat cars to the Pope. To no avail. **Drawn** against Manchester United.

SLASK WROCLAW. 1-1 (4). Play in the old Olympic stadium in Wroclaw (formerly Breslau when German). Took over at the top of the table for a brief couple of weeks in November from Szombierki but soon were overtaken. The 1974 World Cup stopper, Wladyslaw Zmuda, remains at Wroclaw reluctantly — in March he made another request for a move — while new coach this season is Orest Lenczyk. **Drawn** against Dundee United.

PORTUGAL

Champions' Cup: SPORTING CLUB. 15-9 (19). The eternal second club in Portugal behind Benfica even though they are now newly crowned as champions again for the first time in six years after a knife-edge duel with Porto. Founded in 1906 and claim not only a Cup-winners' Cup victory in 1964 but the distinction of having appeared in the first Champions' Cup tie of all, against Partizan Belgrade in the autumn of 1955. Rely heavily on the goal-scoring of Jordao, the ex-Benfica and Zaragoza man, who was top of the charts with 27 goals last season. **Drawn** against the winner of Honved v Valletta.

Cup-winners' Cup: BENFICA. 23-15 (20). Ex-Hungary manager Lajos Baroti has taken charge now in a club troubled by boardroom dissension. It's now three years since Benfica won the league and unless Baroti can put them back on top in the championship he won't last long. Benfica have regained Joao Alves — the black-gloved midfielder — from Paris Saint-Germain, and his combination with Nene (25 goals last season) could prove fruitful. No longer do the club adhere to the 'Portuguese-only' policy of player recruitment which saw them to their double Champions' Cup triumphs of the early 1960s. Lost to Aris Salonika in the first round of the UEFA Cup last season. Beat Porto 1-0 in the cup final. Hold the record for both league and cup wins. **Drawn** against Altay Izmir in the preliminary round with the prospect of a tie against Dynamo Zagreb.

UEFA Cup: FC PORTO. 7-4 (18). Now rent by serious internal trouble with the senior players having lately gone on strike in protest against managerial changes by president Americo de Sa. Porto had a most unfortunate last season, losing narrowly to Real Madrid in the second round of the Champions' Cup, being pipped in the league by one point by Sporting Lisbon, and losing 1-0 to Benfica in the cup final. Their best player of the last few years, Oliveira, has returned after a brief spell in Spain, but it will need more than his influence to solve the present crisis. New coach — but for how long? — is the Austrian, Hermann Stessl, from AEK Athens. **Drawn** against Dundalk.

BOAVISTA. 0-3 (4). The 'other' club in Oporto who also had some bad luck in Europe last season. Having hammered Sliema 1-2, 8-0 in the first round, they went out on the away goal to Moscow Dynamo next time out. **Drawn** against Vasas Budapest.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

Champions' Cup: LIMERICK. 2-1 (3). Back numbers for most of their 43-year history, Limerick came to life with the appointment of Eoin Hand as player-manager a year ago. For most of the season they remained top of the table and their bid for the double ended only when they were beaten in the cup semi-finals. Tony Morris set a club scoring record with his 19 goals. But all the optimism and excitement fell flat when Hand announced recently that he was quitting. **Drawn** against Real Madrid.

Cup-winners' Cup: WATERFORD. 6-3 (7). Won the cup by defeating St Patrick Athletic 1-0, having beaten champions-elect Limerick in the semi-finals. Were in the Cup-winners' Cup last season by virtue of a final defeat by double-winners Dundalk. But lost 0-1, 1-1 to IFK Gothenburg in the first round. **Drawn** against Hibernian Malta.

UEFA Cup: DUNDALK. 5-5 (7). Double-winners in 1979 but failed to hang on to either of their trophies. In the Champions' Cup last season they beat Linfield in a riot-torn preliminary round, then Hibernian Malta before going down bravely — and narrowly — to Celtic. **Drawn** against Porto.

ROMANIA

Champions' Cup: UNIVERSITATEA CRAIOVA. 2-2 (7). Earlier known as Stinta Craiova. Beat Leeds remarkably 2-0, 2-0 in the second round of last season's UEFA Cup before going out to Borussia Mg. Under one-time Rumania goalkeeper Valentin Stanescu they formed an efficient unit built around sweeper Stefanescu, Balaci and Aurika Beldeanu in midfield, and Crisan and Camataru — top scorer in last year's university games in Mexico. In the league they kept pace with leaders Steaua before overtaking on the run-in. **Drawn** against Internazionale.

Cup-winners' Cup: POLITECHNIA TIMISOARA. 0-1 (1). Beat holders Steaua 2-1 to win the cup and earn a second campaign in Europe. In 1978-79 they beat MTK in the first round of the UEFA Cup before Honved took Hungarian revenge, 4-2 on aggregate, in the second. **Drawn** against Celtic or Diosgyoer.

UEFA Cup: STEAUA BUCHAREST. 9-13 (15). Blew the chance to become sole holders of the record as the team with most cup wins when, as holders, they lost 2-1 in this year's final to Timisoara. It was the end of a disappointing campaign which had promised so much, for Steaua (formerly CCA Bucharest) had led the league at the halfway stage. Not only that, but international defender Viorel Nastase took advantage of the CWC tie with Young Boys' Berne to seek asylum! **Drawn** against Standard Liege.

ARGES PITESTI. 2-0 (7). All the goal-scoring potential of centre forward Radu II and the midfield experience of veteran Nicolae Dobrin proved of no avail last season when Arges' Champions' Cup campaign was ended 0-2, 1-2 in the second round by holders Nottingham Forest. **Drawn** against Utrecht.

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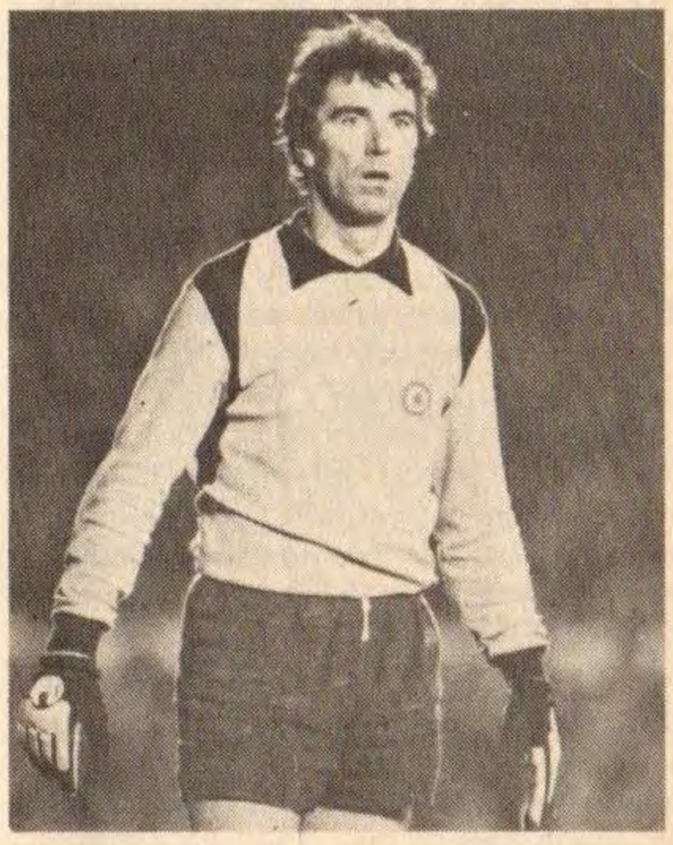


Dino Zoff

from Eric Weil

OLIMPIA— NO REPEAT DISPLAY

OLIMPIA of Paraguay, who became the first club to hold the Libertadores Cup (South American club championship), Inter-American Cup (played for between the South American and North and Central American champions) and the Inter-continental Cup — supposed to be played for between South America's and Europe's best — at the same time earlier this year, also have several other first. In fact, their history is a story of firsts.

Olimpia is Paraguay's oldest soccer-playing club, having been founded on July 25, 1902. They were naturally one of the five founding members of the Paraguayan Football League — together with Guarani, Nacional, Libertado and General Diaz — and these clubs, together with 14 de Mayo, played the first championship in 1906.

One first which escaped Olimpia was that of winning the initial championship, the honour going to Paraguay's second oldest club, Guarani. But since then Olimpia have won most titles — 25 — to which one could add that of 1917 when the championship was split due to domestic problems, Olimpia won the title but then lost a play-off with Libertad, champions of the break-away league.

Titles

Among Olimpia's titles are two sequences of three in a row (1927 to 29 and 1936 to 38) and one never-equalled five-year stretch from 1956 to 1960 and one name is linked with all these successes — Aurelio Gonzalez. He played in the team which won the title three years running twice and was manager-coach when they did it five years in a row.

But another manager-coach now also figures highly in Olimpia's history — Uruguayan Luis Cubilla — although he stayed only for one season, making Olimpia almost as well known abroad as they are at home.

Olimpia were also the first and so far only club to win the Paraguayan championship unbeaten — in 1959 — which gave them the right to participate in the inaugural Libertadores Cup in 1960 which, at the time, few countries took as seriously as they do now. In a straight two-legged knock-out (with only champions from each country taking part) they reached the final — losing to Uruguay's Peñarol — and never got that far again until last year.

Variety

There are a variety of reasons. Paraguay's soccer is poor in both senses. Players are poorly paid which means it does not attract masses of players hoping to get rich quick and many of the best only dream of being sold to a foreign club — which their clubs are generally ready to do — where they can earn some real money.

Paraguayan professional soccer is for the most part-time and most players work at other jobs to be able to live. They do not train as much as in other countries and they are generally not fit enough for the rythm of the Libertadores Cup.

Cubilla, brought from Uruguay — in spite of some opposition — by energetic club president (since 1973) Julio Dominquez Dibb, changed all that without changing the team. He brought only compatriot Ruben Gimenez, a defender, but he made the players train longer and harder, instilled more confidence into them than they had ever had and for the first time a Paraguayan club took the unknown procedure of leaving town for concentrated pre-season training. Cubilla was left with fitter players than any Paraguayan team had ever had and they were ready for anything.

Olimpia were the first club ever to form a "Libertadores Cup" committee dedicated exclusively towards winning the trophy which hardly anybody in Paraguay thought could be done. In the long-run the players benefitted from the harder work put in. By the time they won the trophy they had split 550,000 dollars extra bonuses between them.

President

Club president Dibb, who is only 39, a former basketball player and coach and now president of Paraguay's soccer pools, says: "First we thought of bringing Menotti or Lorenzo from Argentina, but too often successful coaches, once they are at the top, use their name more than their work. So we went for Cubilla who had done a lot with small clubs in Uruguay. Olimpia was a team hungry for success and we needed a man hungry for success also. He changed the players' mentality and did a good job. We planned, took risks, invested money and got there. It is an example which should be followed in Paraguay."

Perhaps it wasn't. Luis Cubilla left for new pastures before the season started to coach Newell's Old Boys of the Argentine first division in spite of Olimpia doing everything possible to keep him. Cubilla thought he had greater possibilities with Newell's and even turned down the job of Paraguayan national team coach.

At Olimpia he left his brother Pedro as coach, but he took with him to Argentina his special way with players and one of the team, Piazza, while international Kiesse was transferred to Brazil's Gremio, Villalba to Belgium's Anderlecht and Lazzari also went abroad . . . and now midfielder Talavera, the architect of the team, intends to retire to devote more time to his main job . . . as an architect.

Talavera, Olimpia's architect on the field . . . also an architect off it.

Olimpia stayed firmly at the bottom of the table for the first five weeks of the Paraguayan season, dismissed Pedro Cubilla and replaced him with countryman Ricardo De Leon just as they were about to start the defence of the Libertadores Cup in the semi-finals into which, as champions, they receive a bye. Their league position improved, but they just missed the cup final, their downfall being a 1-0 home defeat by finalists Nacional (Uruguay).

For Olimpia — who, in spite of all their firsts, are not Paraguay's most popular club because their membership and following comes mostly from the minority upper class — there was no repeat performance . . . which has been the case all along with Paraguay's few international successes.

Nacional are Champions

NACIONAL of Montevideo are new South American club champions. They beat Internacional of Porto Alegre (Brazil) 0-0, 1-0 in the two-leg final. The winning goal in the second leg in Uruguay came from top-scoring international centre-forward Waldemar Victorino.

Nacional won the Libertadores in 1971 and were runners-up in 1964. In Victor Esparrago, Julio Cesar Morales and Juan Blanco they have three survivors of the 1971 team, though all have played abroad in between.

Another 1971 Cup-winner is the man who is now coach, Juan Martin Mujica. *Full report next month*

BAYERN MUNICH'S long-serving stopper Hans-Georg Schwarzenbeck has been forced to retire with Achilles tendon trouble. Schwarzenbeck was a member of West Germany's 1974 World Cup-winning team and the Bayern European Cup treble side.

But the good news . . . Bayern prepared for the new season with an astonishing 9-1 victory over Real Madrid before 25,000 in the Munich Olympic stadium. It was Madrid's heaviest-ever defeat — though how seriously the clubs took the game can be gauged from the fact that both used up to six substitutes.

Still the great man

Lev Yashin, the great Soviet goalkeeper, was dubbed the black spider in Brazil for his mobility, instant reaction and black outfit. This is an interview he gave during the Moscow games to Novosti's correspondent Ivan Yurkov and correspondent of the Brazilian magazine *Placard*, Jose Maria Moleda de Aquino.

YASHIN reacts to questions as fast as he reacted to every shot at goal and comes pat with an answer to any question.

"Why did I become an outstanding goalkeeper? Why were Pele and Garrincha outstanding football players? I don't know. I was a boy like any other. I think it was my passionate love of football that made me one of the best goalies."

What's the difference between the goalkeeper and the forward?

"There is a lot of difference between them. The goalkeeper has to train harder and acquire more accuracy."

What is your opinion about football today?

"It has become very even. All players move about a great deal and this evens out all teams. Physical training has levelled off everyone and everything. The full-back is now as fast as the forward and this spoils the game. There are no chances for a second Pele or a second Garrincha to appear. The defence stifles the forwards, preventing them from doing their best. You've got to be able to move about a lot to achieve anything. Moreover, all the players seem to know everything about one another. Science helps football, as it does other sports, but all the same I think little progress has been made. And the efforts go the wrong way. I am sure something's got to be changed. I don't know what, I don't want to interfere, but something's got to be done about it. Maybe the field or some rules. Maybe the field should be marked differently, I don't know. One thing is certain: Football must regain its appeal for millions of fans. Playing is now less artistic and less beautiful to watch and if this continues, there will be fewer and fewer fans. Everyone noticed how few people were present in the stands during the latest European Championship. Football is losing its appeal in Europe. The same is true of Brazil, isn't it?"

Can goalkeepers of your class emerge again in the Soviet Union?

"We have good goalkeepers. I train all goalkeepers of the Soviet National team. They are not yet known abroad, however."

What should a goalkeeper do to become as good as you?

"In my time I did what I had to do. I sought to improve myself. That was what made me famous. Like Pele, when I was on the field I forgot that I was famous. I only worked."

What are your best impressions connected with football?

"I have so many things in my memory that I am at a loss to know which was the best. One of them is about my playing in a FIFA team with Djalma Santos and other players in Britain in 1963. I played there and it was real good. I also remember the World Championship. Many of my memories are associated with Brazil."

Do you have many trophies?

"Yes. I keep them for my grandchildren. When I recall the past, I remember the people I saw, the countries I visited and the pleasant things I experienced. I live my life over again, as it were. I remember my meetings with my Brazilian friends, Orlando Pissanha, Djalma Santos, Garrincha, Pele, Tostao and Gilmar. We used to talk a great deal in our own language, the language understandable only to football players. I recall the time when I was invited to the Flamengo club and I trained with members of the club team. I am still moved by these recollections."

Have you seen good goalkeepers in Brazil?

"Gilmar was very good. I also liked Felix's style. Manga is still playing, isn't he? He is 44."

How many children do you have?

"I have two daughters. They do not play football, bad luck. They go in for volleyball."

Does it feel good to be an idol?

"Yes, it does feel good. Yet, you've got to remember that you have a family, children and your country. You should always remember your country, even if you are an idol. You've got to be a model citizen."

How did you manage to achieve such heights as a goalkeeper?

"It's very simple. You've got to see the game. You must see the game and live it. You also must have intuition. I had all that and that was why it turned out well with me. I saw everything and I calculated everything even when you defend the goal you can't count on your physical strength alone."

What would you like to be if you could live your life over again?

"I would be a goalie. I would find friends. I once wanted to be a forward. I became a goalkeeper by accident. My coach once told me: 'Keep the goal.' I did as I was told and I did it well. I liked the feeling of being responsible for what I did. It was a thrill to know that you help your team. I also felt good when I knew that I saved my team when things were bad for it. It feels good to know that you have saved the game."

People often heap all the blame on the goalkeeper when something goes wrong?

"Yes, you are right. Football players make many mistakes on the field, but all their mistakes pose a threat to the goal. The goalkeeper has to save all the game. In a sense, every team needs a goalkeeper to win or lose the game. This makes the goalkeeper a very important player. He must always think so. It is clear that it is very sad when a team loses because of its goalkeeper. After such games I could not look my team-mates in the eyes for days. I still remember some of the mistakes I made. You must be able to take a critical view of yourself. This is very important. Self-criticism pays off."

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL CUP
Inter-Toto tables

Group 1	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
STANDARD LIEGE	6	4	2	0	17	8	10
Fortuna Düsseldorf	6	2	2	2	12	17	6
Neuchâtel Xamax	6	1	3	2	13	11	5
Roda JC Kerkrade	6	1	1	4	9	15	3

Group 2	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
BOHEMIANS PRAGUE	6	4	2	0	14	5	10
Werder Brême	6	2	2	2	7	9	6
Kastrup BK	6	2	1	3	6	9	5
Lillestrom SK	6	1	1	4	5	9	3

Group 3	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
MACCABI NATHANYA	6	3	2	1	12	7	8
KB Copenhague	6	3	2	1	11	10	8
Antwerp	6	1	3	2	10	10	5
Maccabi Tel-Aviv	6	1	1	4	9	15	3

Group 4	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SPARTA PRAGUE	6	5	0	1	8	3	10
FC La Haye	6	3	0	3	7	10	6
St Gall	6	2	0	4	10	9	4
Rapid Vienne	6	2	0	4	5	8	4

Group 5	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
PLASTIKA NITRA	6	4	0	2	9	3	8
Linz ASK	6	2	2	2	7	9	6
Esbjerg BK	6	2	1	3	8	7	5
Polonia Bytom	6	2	1	3	4	9	5

Group 6	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
HALMSTAD BK	6	3	3	0	12	6	9
Inter Bratislava	6	2	3	1	11	8	7
Voest Linz	6	2	3	1	9	7	7
Young Boys Berne	6	0	1	5	3	14	1

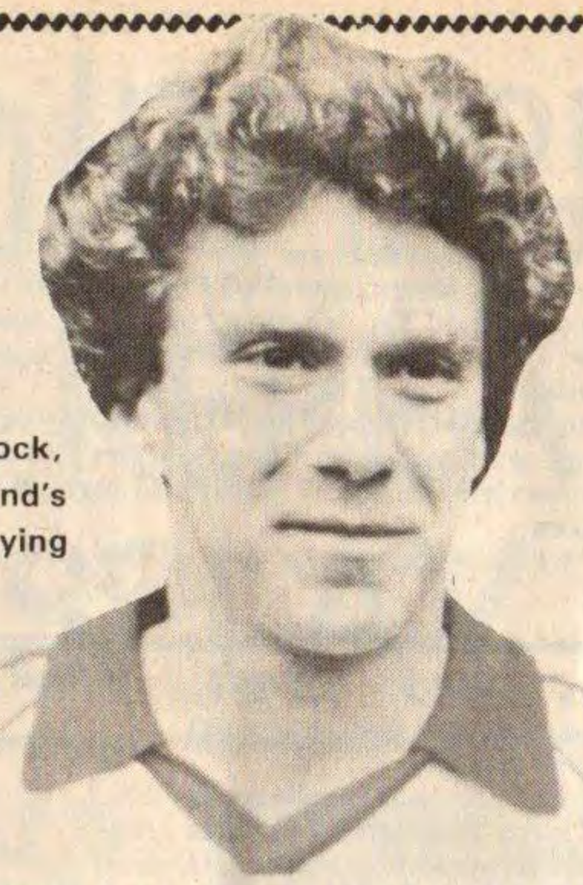
Group 7	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
MALMO	6	5	0	1	15	8	10
Duisbourg	6	4	0	2	15	11	8
Willem II Tilburg	6	2	1	3	8	9	5
F.C. Sion	6	0	1	5	7	17	1

Group 8	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
IFK GOTEBORG	6	5	1	0	22	5	11
Marek St. Dimitrov	6	2	1	3	13	14	5
B 1903 Copenhague	6	2	1	3	8	13	5
Austria Salzbourg	6	0	3	3	6	17	3

Group 9	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ELFSBORG BORAS	6	3	1	2	8	6	7
Slavia Sofia	6	3	1	2	8	8	7
Bochum	6	3	0	3	8	8	6
Napredak Krusevac	6	1	2	3	7	9	4

Britain's transfer racket

by Kenneth Young



Tony Woodcock, one of England's top stars playing abroad.

THE transfer of Arsenal and Eire midfield star, Liam Brady, to the crack Italian club, Juventus, has brought to light the differences in attitude between English league clubs and their foreign counterparts regarding transfer fees and payments to players.

Manchester United were prepared to pay Arsenal a transfer fee of over £1½ million, at least £900,000 more than the £600,000 fee Juventus were obliged to pay for the player, yet were unwilling to match the £120,000 per annum salary the Italian club had offered Brady presumably because such a wage would rupture the existing wage structure at Old Trafford.

Indeed United's salary offer was probably less than £40,000 p.a.; around one-third of the level Brady can expect to earn in Turin. Not unnaturally Brady, a free agent now that his contract with Arsenal has expired, chose to turn his back upon English football and Juventus were able to snap him up at the relatively bargan price of around £600,000, the maximum transfer fee it has to pay a foreign (i.e. non-Italian club) under the new UEFA regulations regarding transfers of free agents between clubs of two different member countries.

Mr. Hill-Wood, Arsenal's chairman, was bitter over Brady's decision and claimed that: "All England's stars will go abroad when their contracts are up unless they have an interest in football or loyalty to their clubs. It's a ridiculous state of affairs." It is indeed a ridiculous state of affairs when an English club is only prepared to offer a player a salary equal to 3% of his transfer fee and when Arsenal can claim an amount in compensation for the loss of their player roughly equivalent to 15 times the total gross salary paid to the player during his entire career at Highbury. There comes a point when "loyalty to the club" becomes exploitation by the club.

Football clubs seem to be unique amongst employers in demanding transfer fees for former employees when their contracts run out. They argue that the fee represents compensation for the cost of their scouting system and for the expense they incurred in training and nurturing a player to bring him to his present standard of attainment within the game. However, football apprentices are often a form of cheap labour for the club since, as well as fulfilling their training programmes, they are normally required to do menial tasks such as ground maintenance work and cleaning the boots of first-team players.

Training expenses are borne by all employers; for example chartered accountants and industrial firms take on apprentices at considerable expense who, when qualified, are free to move on to a higher paid job with another firm. Why then should football be different from other types of business in this regard?

The simple fact is that the migration of star players to the continent e.g. Cunningham, Woodcock and now Brady will continue so long as the distribution of the game's wealth continues to favour the clubs through transfer fees rather than the players through increased wages and signing-on fees.

At present a player signing for a British club is only entitled to a maximum of 5% of his transfer fee and receives nothing at all if he himself requests the transfer move. In contrast to the situation elsewhere in Europe, he does not normally receive a lump sum from his club for signing a new contract though long service players are often granted testimonial games.

If English clubs are to successfully compete with foreign clubs in signing star British players the FA must quickly introduce a number of reforms. The UEFA ceiling on transfer fees which applies to deals involving clubs from two different member countries should also apply to transfers within England and players should be allowed to negotiate their own terms with clubs so allowing them to pick up very sizeable lump sums when they either change clubs or sign new contracts with their existing teams.

Had such free market rules applied in the Brady case everyone would have been better off. Had the deal gone ahead at a £600,000 fee, Brady could have negotiated a signing-on fee of several hundred pounds from Manchester United to compensate himself for the lower salary he would receive by joining United rather than Juventus. Manchester United's wage structure would thus be unaffected (though of course United players would be free to negotiate for lump sum payments when their contracts come up for renewal) and they would still save themselves more than £500,000.

Alternatively, Arsenal themselves could have offered Brady a signing-on fee of around £200,000 to remain with the London club. To replace him with a player even approaching his calibre would cost Arsenal at least £1 million in the current transfer market, a loss of upwards of £400,000 on the deal. Thus this seemingly huge inducement to the player would prove a real bargain for Arsenal since they would not only save money, but would keep one of the finest players in England on their staff.

The irony is that when a club signs a player for a huge transfer fee he is not included as an asset on the club's balance sheet. His transfer fee is simply written off as an expense in the profit and loss account. The club hope to recoup their investment in two ways: by his name and reputation attracting more people to the ground or through his performances leading the team into a challenging position for major honours which stimulates public interest in the side so bolstering gate receipts.

Obviously, there are few players in England who have the ability and charisma to generate income in this way. Brady is certainly one and the English league can ill-afford to lose him. His name on the team sheet can probably add 5,000 to a club's gate, especially at away matches, and he has been as responsible as anyone for taking Arsenal into three consecutive F.A. Cup Finals as well as this season's financially lucrative European Cup-Winners' Cup Final.

The game in England can certainly continue to exist in its present form. The current transfer chaos in England will not lead to a mass exodus of players to the continent. What will happen is that the cream of the league's talent will be lured abroad by the bait of higher salaries which ironically English clubs could more than match if they did not have to fork out massive lump sums in transfer fees. We will see the likes of Dalglish, McDermott or Francis joining Inter Milan or Bayern Munich for £600,000 whilst Leeds United splash out £1.4 million for Joe Bloggs, a 21-year-old striker from Chesterfield.

It is argued that transfer fees are the lifeblood of 3rd and 4th division sides. However, is it not time that these clubs learned to survive financially without sucking money out of their more affluent first division counterparts through exorbitant fees? Is the erosion of playing standards in the first division and the decline of English clubs as a major force in European competition through their inability to hold onto their best players once their contracts expire not too high a price to pay to allow Tranmere Rovers or Wigan Athletic to balance their books at the end of the season?

Unless the F.A. take immediate steps to reform the transfer system the English league will degenerate into what the League of Ireland has become; a nursery of talent that can be raped at will by the financial muscle of clubs from a more affluent foreign league.

Rossi bundled from one club to another . . .

by Brian Glanville

A WISE Italian remarked to me, with some disgust, that the reason Paolo Rossi was in such deep water was because he had been so shabbily treated by Lanerossi Vicenza; not to say Juventus. That was before his sentence was commuted from three years' suspension to two, but I cannot imagine my friend would see the position differently. Whether or not Rossi was guilty of joining in the fix of the match between Avellino and his present club, Perugia, perhaps we shall never know; though more should belatedly come to light when the tribunal ultimately reconvenes, having ground to a halt when a magistrates' strike followed the assasination of one of their number of Fascist terrorists in eastern Rome.

Meanwhile, to pursue my friend's theory, it is true that Rossi has been bundled about the Italian peninsula like an expensive parcel. You may remember that Juventus had him as a junior, took him on the staff, never gave him a game, and farmed him out to Como — then a 1st Division club — where he was injured. At Lanerossi Vicenza, where he went on loan, G. B. Fabbri turned him from an outside-right with a penchant for dribbling into a brilliant centre-forward, leading scorer in the Italian Second Division. That was when Juventus could have had him back, but instead they preferred the young Cagliari striker Virdis, who would prove an expensive failure. How they must now be wishing that they had not moved Heaven and Earth to get him after he at first refused to leave Sardinia!

So Rossi stayed at Vicenza, and made nonsense of all Juventus' reservations by promptly becoming leading scorer in the First Division, too. Now a bizarre auction ensued, a battle of sealed envelopes in which Farina, the impulsive Farina, mortgaged Vicenza's future by bidding £1.5 million for Juve's half share in the player. Alas for them, the following season was disastrous. A previously successful team, obliged to sell several of the players who had supported Rossie, slid into Serie B, and Vicenza were obligated to sell him.

But to whom? The big three, Inter, Juventus and Milan, wouldn't pay the ridiculous asking price. Naples said they would buy Rossi, and who can blame him didn't want to go into that cauldron of disproportionate ardour and disappointed hopes. So he was on the move again, this time, in a complicated deal, on loan to Perugia, who had finished second in the League the previous year without losing a single game; a triumph of mind over matter, of organisation over limited financial and playing resources.

My friend's theory clearly presupposes that by this time, Rossi had had enough. His allegiance to Vicenza, and above all to the resourceful G. B. Fabbri, was undoubted. He would also very happily have gone to Juventus, whose chances of competitive success were so much greater, and where referees were likely to give him much greater protection. But Perugia? What was Perugia to him?

This may well account for the alleged indifference of his response, when approached by Massimo Cruciani, the fixer in chief, and his henchman, a convicted felon, Cesare Bartolucci.

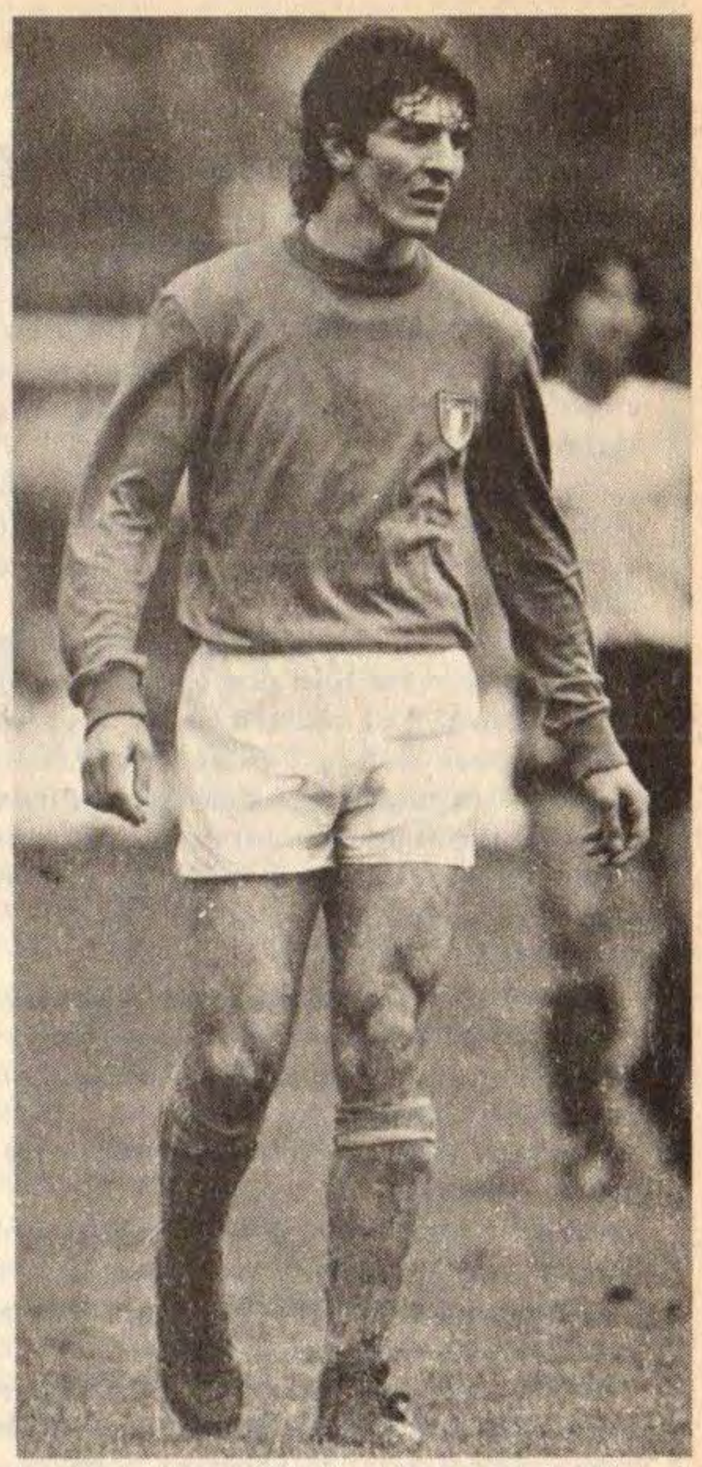
Bartolucci changed his version between testifying in front of the Federation's Disciplinary Committee in Milan, and in front of the tribunal's magistrates, in Rome. It was the second, milder, version which he sustained in Rome on the occasion of the Federation Appeal Committee hearing.

Each version has Rossi called from a tombola game to ask whether he will take part in the fix (to be more exact, Bartolucci, much weakening his second version, now maintains he had to idea there was going to *be* a fix; if you can believe that, you'll believe anything.) Initially, Rossi was supposed to have said, "I don't care what happens, so long as I score a couple of goals." Now, Bartolucci says that Rossi replied simply that the result didn't interest him, from the point of view (a smell of rotting fish again, here) that any game could go any way, adding that as an attacker, he always played to score goals. Wow!

Asked by a journalist why he should have changed his story thus, Bartolucci "explained" that in Milan he lost his temper because he was being given a rough time by the lawyer representing his friend Della Martira, the Perugia stopper — and a prime culprit in the case. Moreover, he felt moved to defend his friend Cruciani, who was being treated (I wonder why?) as the defendant.

There's no doubt that the whole quasi-legal process implemented by the Federation has been an incoherent mess. To this extent, and to no other, one sympathises with the wildly biased editorial published in the glossy A.C. Milan monthly, *Forza Milan*, which claims that in relegating Milan to Serie B and throwing its President, Felice Colombo, out of the game for life, the Federation has been grossly unfair. A long list of procedural inadequacies and contradictions is set out, but there is no allusion to the fact that Colombo, clearly a silly, weak man rather than a bad one, was, like the club, caught bang to rights, foolishly sending the 20 million lire down to Rome, and Cruciani (via the Milan midfielder, Morini) still wrapped in the paper placed round it by the bank in Brianza where he obtained it.

Ricky Albertosi, the Milan and former Italy goalkeeper who bullied Colombo into taking part in the plot, has had his sentence cut from life to four years; which makes little difference, given the fact that he is over 40 years old. Cacciatori, the Lazio keeper, has had his sentence commuted to five years, so that nationally at least he can play again; while the Lazio skipper, the notorious Giuseppe Wilson, Darlington born, Naples bred, is out of the game for life.



Paulo Rossi of Italy.

His case, however, has still to come before CAF, the appeals committee, since there was a long delay in the initial hearing by the Disciplinary Committee. Wilson has threatened that he will 'tell all'; he and his lawyer have sworn that Maurizio Montesi, the young midfield player on whose testimony Wilson was convicted, is lying. I doubt it.

Wilson, the man who so brutally kicked David Best, then the Ipswich keeper, in the tunnel after a torrid UEFA Cup match in Rome, has long been known — let us put it politely — as the Grey Eminence of Lazio and its players, a man of greatly above the average intelligence of a professional player (he has a university degree) but one who has put his brains and his brawn to some highly debatable usages, over the years.

Talking of university men, Lionello Manfredonia, whose sentence was increased by CAF from 21 months to three years, is himself a law student at Rome University, the son and grandson of lawyers. Make what you like of that.

I would be more impressed by the fulminations of René Courte, the Press Officer, in FIFA news over the refereeing of the European Nations Cup were FIFA's own record only better. Few of us can have forgotten the abominable refereeing of the 1978 World Cup, culminating in the wretched display of Italy's Gobella in the Final.

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When is an int not really an in

WHEN is an international not an international? Answer: When he's played less than 45 minutes.

That's the odd riddle put together by FIFA in solving the Dario Felman dispute — and it might create problems for football statisticians.

A year ago Valencia sacked Felman on the grounds that he had misled them over his qualifications to become a naturalised Spanish player.

The ex-Boca man had omitted to tell Valencia that he had played a few minutes as a second-half substitute in Argentina's 5-1 win over Hungary in spring 1977. Under Spanish regulations that prevented his naturalisation and meant no place for him at Valencia because they already had Mario Kempes and Rainer Bonhof as their two foreigners.

What further confused the issue was that the Argentine FA, in their transfer release document, had also denied that Felman was an international. So Valencia took the matter to FIFA and Felman sat around for a season, waiting.

After several delays the subject was judged — with the ruling we've given, that a player is not a full international until he has played at least 45 minutes.

Now, does that mean 45 minutes in *one* game, or does it mean 45 minutes added up over several brief substitute appearances?

Does that apply to B or under-21 or youth internationals, hitherto barred from swapping countries? Should junior internationals be forbidden the chance to switch nations at all?

What's happened is that looking for a happy compromise, FIFA have created a minor minefield. If they had said: "Any player who appears for any length of time in a full international *becomes* a full international" — obvious reasoning, one would have thought — there could have been no equivocation.

But now that we have this strange loophole, expect many more such cases.

Already Espanol of Barcelona want their Uruguayan left-back Alfredo Amarillo "cleared" because, they say, "after all, he played in only one youth international — surely that's not much."

The door is open to more such manoeuvres.

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A FIELD where FIFA could act firmly is in the matter of the payment of international transfer fees — or rather, their non-payment. For reluctance of clubs and/or governments to let money out of their hands is causing a lot of short tempers.

Even the rich and famous can't escape this one.

Last year in Coruna, at the Teresa Herrera tournament, there was unrest among West Bromwich officials because though Laurie Cunningham was there, already playing for Real Madrid, the English club hadn't yet received a penny.

I took up the matter with Madrid president Luis De Carlos on behalf of the English Pressmen there. He turned the blame on to the international banking system — saying that Madrid had given their instructions and the money was in the pipeline.

In Madrid's case that proved eventually to be true. But this year has seen signs that FIFA should start getting tough.

Two cases involving Italian clubs prove the point. Internazionale were threatened with losing Herbert Prohaska (FK Austria) and Torino with losing Michel Van der Korput (Feyenoord) because of the difficulty in obtaining clearance from Italian banking authorities.

In both cases it took a threat to sell the player elsewhere to persuade the Italians to hurry the matter along.

A little more canny are Argentine club, Newells Old Boys. They have agreed the sale of Nestor Agueropolis to Panathinaikos of Greece but aren't releasing the player until they've seen the money.

Then there was the Rainer Bonhof case. Köln refused to pay Valencia the £400,000 fee until, they said, they were certain Bonhof was fit. The Spaniards went up in the air, understandably, since Bonhof suffered his latest leg injury in the Sepp Maier benefit game after he had all but joined the German club!

Rainer Bonhof of West Germany.

Again, Valencia had to make recourse to FIFA to squeeze the money out.

FIFA should make it clear: no cash, no player release!

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PLAYER power is rearing its head in Portugal, where 14 first team squad men at FC Porto went on strike in protest at president Americo de Sa's managerial changes. When new coach Hermann Stessl, the Austrian signed from AEK Athens, turned up for his first day, only six players were ready to train.

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THE POLISH exodus continues.

Of the fine team who knocked out England in the qualifiers and then went on to reach third place in the 1974 World Cup, few have stayed home.

Goalkeeper Jan Tomaszewski is with Beerschot in Belgium; midfielders Henryk Kasperczak and Zygmunt Maszczyk went to France; Kaziu Deyna is at Manchester City; Robert Gadocha with Curitiba in Brazil.

The latest veterans on the move are stopper Jerzy Gorgon, who has joined Swiss club St Gallen, and the 1974 World Cup's top scorer, Grzegorz Lato, who has teamed up again with Wlodek Lubanski at Lokeren in Belgium.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? Oscar Mas. *Born October, 1946, scored a goal on his debut for River Plate at 18 and became a fixture at outside left both for his club and Argentina. Played in the 1966 World Cup finals — wasting one fine chance in the notorious 1-0 defeat by England. Joined Real Madrid in 1973, when the Spanish reopened their borders, but lasted only one season. Returned to River Plate then wandered to Colombia (America or Cali) before returning to Argentina, and Quilmes. Now still playing — and still scoring goals — for second division club, Defensores of Belgrano.*

DATES TO NOTE . . . Sep 3: World Cup — Albania-Finland and Iceland-Russia. Also: Poland B-Romania B; Finland U21-Poland U21; France-Juventus . . . Sep 4: Paris St-Germain-Luxembourg . . . Sep 7: WC — Surinam-Cuba . . . Sep 9: Euro U21 Sweden-Scotland. Also: Switzerland B-West Germany B (Lucerne) . . . Sep 10: WC — Luxembourg-Yugoslavia, Sweden-Scotland, Rep. Ireland-Holland, England-Norway. Also: Switzerland-West Germany (Basel) . . . Sep 12: WC — Haiti-Neth. Antilles . . . Sep 17: Euro club first round, first legs . . . Sep 23: Euro U21 — Finland-Austria . . . Sep 24: WC — Finland-Austria, Turkey-Iceland, Norway-Romania. Euro U21 — Norway-Poland. Also: Hungary-Spain, Bulgaria-Sweden, Poland-Czechoslovakia, Italy-Portugal, Romania U21-E Germany U21 . . . Sep 25: Paraguay-Brazil (Asuncion) . . . Sep 27: WC — Yugoslavia-Denmark . . . Sep 28: WC — Guyana-Surinam.

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Two more from the class of '74 have had their transfers blocked temporarily. Andrzej Szarmach had hoped to leave Stal Mielec for Auxerre of France but has been told to stay in Poland, more probably because Stal couldn't afford to lose his experience as well as that of Lato, than because he was a few months from the age limit of 30.

Antoni Szymanowski is the other who must wait. He had seemed set to join Anderlecht.

Other East Europeans on the move . . . Josef Masopust has left the trainer's bench at Brno to take over Belgium's relegated Hasselt; veteran Czech winger Frantisek Vesely, now 37, has joined Rapid Vienna and Antonin Panenka may soon follow; Jan Kozak has joined Dukla Prague, who have lost Jan Berger to Sparta; Ladislav Jurkemik, scorer of that brilliant goal against Italy in Naples, has left Inter Bratislava for Dukla Banska Bystrica; new Dukla boss, in succession to the retired Jaroslav Vejvoda, is one-time left-back Ladislav Novak.

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THE POPE is being blamed for the latest unrest among Brazilian fans. After supporters of Palmeiras, Botafogo and Fluminense all went on the rampage within a week or two of each other, football officials are saying the explosion was triggered by the Pope's recent sympathetic declarations on behalf of Brazil's poor.

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PORTUGUESE champions Sporting Lisbon have hung on to the Yugoslav fitness specialist, Srecko Radisic — but only just.

Miljan Miljanic's former No. 2 at Red Star Belgrade and Real Madrid proved vital in helping Sporting outlast their rivals in the championship run-in, with his training schedules.

But he was then extremely tempted to return to Spain, by Celta de Vigo. On learning he had left Lisbon to meet Celta officials, two Sporting directors jumped in a car and drove after him.

Halfway their car broke down but, lent another by the president of Braga — where they happened to be — they completed their trip across the northern border and got to Vigo just in time to persuade Radisic (no doubt with a little monetary help) back.

Not that this was the club's only problem. Top of the list is finding a new president after the surprisingly sudden departure of Joao Rocha.

Changes, too, at neighbours Benfica. On the playing side they've regained Joao Alves from Paris Saint-Germain and, on the managerial side, in addition to Lajos Baroti, a familiar face in evidence soon will be . . . Eusebio.

The Black Panther is returning to take up a youth coaching post — though the suspicions are this is more of a public relations move to please the fans.

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ONE of these days we'll have to get down to a full list of Yugoslav international players of recent years. So many keep popping up on the transfer market it's hard to know who is genuine and who isn't.

The Slav system of postponing military service doesn't help.

I was asked to trace details of Red Star's Dusan Nikolic, when Birmingham's interest became clear. Nikolic was playing for club and country right enough between 1975 and 77, then disappeared.

He took no part in the run to the 1979 UEFA Cup Final, nor in Red Star's success last season, when they won the league and were domestic cup runners-up.

Injury? Out of form? No, he was in the army for his two-year stint.

What could Yugoslavia achieve without all their home-grown obstacles?

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A WIND of change in Africa — Tunisia, 1978 World Cup Finalists became the first of the old elite to go under when they crashed out of the 1982 competition to African champions Nigeria. Each team won 2-0 at home, but the Nigerians — coached by that old fox, Otto Gloria — took the tie 4-3 on penalties.

We told you

5 years ago, *that UEFA had decided a drawn Champions' or Cup-winners' Cup Final should be settled on penalties.*

10 years ago, *that Real Madrid had missed out on a Champions' Cup place for the first time . . . that Juventus boss Gianni Agnelli was pleading for the reopening of the borders.*

15 years ago, *that Benfica had re-engaged Bela Guttmann . . . that Dynamo Kiev would become, in the Cup-winners' Cup, the first Soviet Euro-competitors . . . and that the Football League had decided to allow one substitute per team, for an injured player.*

Names in the news

NAMES IN THE NEWS . . . LUIS CUBILLA is set to leave Newells Old Boys for Penarol of Montevideo . . . Independiente have sacked MIGUEL SANTORO . . . DIEGO MARADONA will stay in Argentina — for the time being . . . WALTER SCHACHNER has turned down a move to PSV Eindhoven . . . Poland's KAZIMIERZ KMIECIK is the latest target of FK Austria . . . ANTON ONDRUS is split between Stuttgart, Borussia Dortmund and Linz ASK . . . DIDIER SIX has joined Cercle Bruges . . . SIMON TAHAMATA has quit Ajax for Standard Liege . . . Antwerp have signed Hungarian veterans LASZLO FAZEKAS and SANDOR MULLER . . . PAUL RENQUIN (Standard) will not be joining Fortuna Düsseldorf . . . ZEZE MOREIRA has taken over Bahia — at 72 . . . CLAUDIO COUTINHO is considering an offer from Spain . . OSCAR, Brazil's 1978 World Cup stopper, is ready to return home from New York Cosmos . . . Finland star SEPPO PYYKKO is joining Bayer Urdingen . . . UMBERTO BARBERIS has quit Servette for Monaco, who have sold spearhead DELIO ONNIS to newly-promoted Tours . . . MARIUS TRESOR has quite Marseille for Bordeaux . . . ERWIN KOSTEDDE has left Laval for Werder Bremen . . . VICTOR TRESSERO has been sold by Nantes to Monaco . . . Diosgyoer centre-back JOSEF SALAMON has been granted an exit permit to join Paok of Salonika . . . Servette have signed JESPER RASMUSSEN from PEC Zwolle . . . JAN VAN BEVEREN is Holland's Player of the Year . . . KAROLY LAKAT, sacked Hungary boss, will coach Tatabanya this season . . . JOHN BONELLO has been signed by Herford of West Germany, despite having had eight goals put past him in the European Championship by — West Germany . . . RUBEN AYALA has joined Mexico's Atlanta after the relegation of Jalisco . . . Spanish coach ANDONI IRULEGUI is considering an offer from Guadalajara . . . deposed South American champions Olimpia are lending HUGO TALAVERA to Newells of Argentina for a year . . . HECTOR CHUMPITAZ, the only Peruvian to top 100 caps, has retired from the national team . . . HUGO SOTIL is back with his original club, Deportivo Municipal . . . ANGEO MARTINS, ex-Benfica left-back, is out of a job after leading Academica Viseu into the first division . . . VICTOR DAMAS, one-time Portugal goalkeeper, has returned home, joining Guimaraes from Spanish club Santander . . . FRANZ BECKENBAUER will return to West Germany, to play for Hamburg, from November 1 . . . BRANKO OBLAK has quit Bayern Munich to become player-coach of Silenik back in Yugoslavia.

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Libertadores Cup – no Argentine finalist for the first time in 18 years

Internacional will challenge Nacional

from Eric Weil

FOR the second year running an Argentine club will not win the Libertadores Cup — the South American club championship — which had come to be known as the Argentine Cup because clubs from that country had won it 12 times out of 20.

Nacional (Uruguay), who won the trophy once before, and Internacional de Porto Algegre (Brazil), who have never won it, qualified for the final by winning their respective semi final groups and it will be the first time in 18 years that teams from these two countries clash in a final. In 1962 — when the tournament was being played for the third time — Santos (Brazil) and Penaròl (Uruguay) reached the final and the former took the title from the latter who had won it on the first two occasions. Since then an Argentine team had been in all 17 finals, winning 12 of them.

Internacional virtually wraped up group 1 with a 3-1 win over Argentina's Velez Sarsfield in Porto Alegre with a hat-trick from Adilson in this low scoring group in which only one goal — also scored by the Brazilians in beating Velez 1-0 in Buenos Aires — came in the other five games. This was mainly because both Velez and Colombia's America found it so hard to score. In fact, America outplayed both their rivals at home, but lacked a striker to drive home their advantage and their four games ended 0-0.

Group 2 was virtually decided in the third of six matches which Nacional won 1-0 on cup holder Olimpia's ground in Asunción (Paraguay). Although Olimpia fought hard in the return leg in Montevideo and were leading 1-0 until five minutes from the end, Nacional's eaualiser was not entirely undeserved. Chile's O'Higgins, surprise semi finalists, were not up to the same standard and finished pointless in what was also a low-scoring group — nine goals in six matches which made it a total of only 14 in the 12 semi final group games. Nacional, it might be added, were also the ony club of the six semi finalists, also doing well in their domestic league which they top.

With only the two-legged final to be played at press-time and after 73 matches in this year's tournament had produced 160 goals, the leading scorers, with five goals each, were Damiano and Sanabria (Velez Sarsfield), Victorino (Nacional), Adilson (Internacional) and Vasconcellos (Chile's Colo Colo).

World Cup 1986:
COLOMBIA HAS NO STADIUMS UP TO STANDARD

AN independent study of stadiums which had been proposed by the Colombian FA to FIFA for use during the 1986 World Cup finals shows that none of them have anything like the minimum facilities for players, spectators, press and authorities required.

The stadiums are in Cali, Bogota, Medellin and Pereira. The study reveals that to make the stadiums acceptable to FIFA a minimum of 5.5 million dollars would have to be spent for renovation, etc.

The study was being presented to the Colombian parliament for it to authorize the funds during its present session ending in December during which it would also be decided definitely whether Colombia can take on the organisation of the 1986 World Cup finals or not.

Bogota's "El Campín" stadium for example — mentioned as the possible central venue — has no parking space, rooms for authorities and conferences (post-match interviews), first aid centres, separate tunnels for the two teams connecting changing rooms and field, TV and radio cabins and it lacks space for press facilities, phones, etc. as well as sufficient stands. Moreover, there is no space for enlarging and renovation. There is room in Medellin, but this is not the case in Cali, while Pereira's stadium is not even up to standard for local championship games.

The above mentioned towns are the largest and therefore obvious choices as playing centres.

Include

ARGENTINE national coach Cesar Menotti, on his return from Italy where he watched the European Nations Cup finals in June, said that he wanted to include World Cup players Ardiles (Tottenham Hotspur), Bertoni (Fiorentina) and Kempes (Valencia) in the team for the Gold Cup tournament in Uruguay between previous World Cup winners from which England will be absent however.

He had already got agreement from the players and it now depended on negotiations with their clubs. He did not expect any difficulties in the case of Bertoni as the Italian championship will be suspended while Italy plays in Uruguay, but championships in England and Spain will be in progress at the time.

Before that Argentina will play three international matches in Buenos Aires during October and negotiations were in progress with possible rivals at press-time. Then the national squad will be concentrated at the sea-side resort of Mar del Plata on November 20 to prepare for the Gold Cup tournament scheduled to start in Montevideo on December 30.

URUGUAY'S FA has lifted the ban on transfers abroad of 51 players wanted for possible national team duty by coach Roque Maspoli under pressure from the clubs so that they can try and sell some of their stars to get out of their extremely difficult financial situation.

An FA spokesman said that once Maspoli picks his final squad in September for the Gold Cup tournament a new list of 22 players not to be transferred to foreign clubs will be drawn up.

This could hit Uruguay's chances considerably, but in view of the present low first division standard a rush of foreign buyers seems unlikely.

PERU continues to look for a national team coach while Colombia and Uruguay, their rivals in the World Cup qualifying group scheduled to be played from July 26 to September 9 next year, are in full preparation.

The latest candidate mentioned was Brazilian Osvaldo Brandao — a former national team coach in his own country — who wants 8,000 dollars a month which the Peruvian FA can apparently not afford. Earlier Peruvian Marcos Calderon, the national coach during the last World Cup and currently coach of Peruvian champions Sporting Cristal, turned down the offer because he was angry that he had been asked to appear for an "evaluation test" in front of a selection board together with other Peruvian candidates for the job.

Meanwhile Teofilo Salinas, the Peruvian president of the South American Football Confederation, warned that while Colombia was preparing hard under Argentine coach Carlos Bilardo, its clubs were also buying up Peru's best players — Cueto and La Rosa (Medellin), Mosquera (Tolima), Lobaton (Quindio), the first three World Cup players — and the "exodus" looked like continuing. The question was whether these Colombian clubs would release the players for World Cup matches against Colombia or think up some excuse not to do so or release them at the last moment, making adequate preparation impossible.

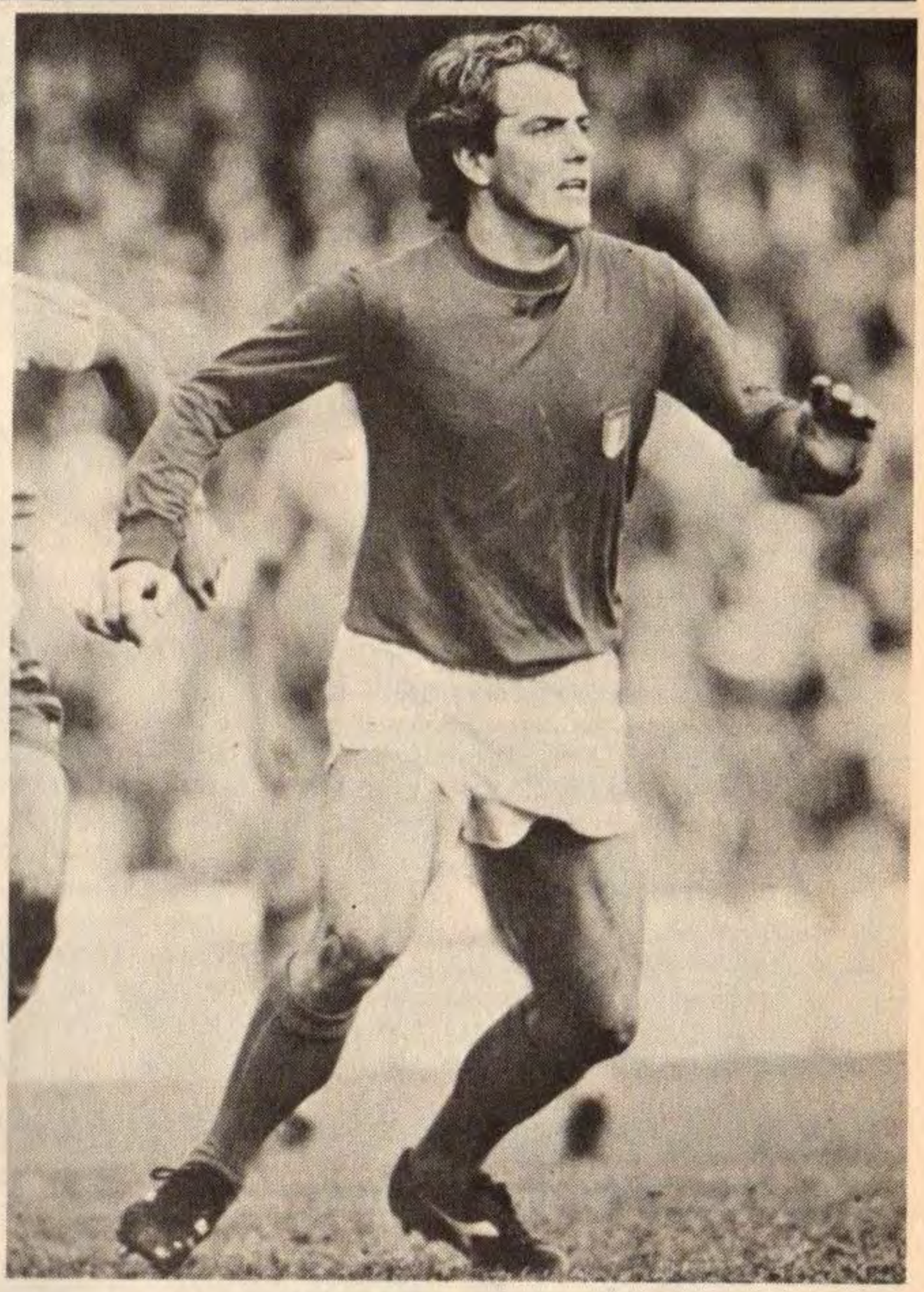
COLOMBIA continues to be the country playing most matches at the moment in spite of their heavy — often twice weekly — league programme.

Coach Bilardo thus finds great difficulty in getting his players together, but says he gets magnificent help from the state air-line and radio stations. The former frequently delays flights to get his players to a concentration point from all over Colombia and the radio stations send him bulletins from all over the country about injuries to players right after league matches.

But Bilardo's contract stipulates that two months before next year's World Cup qualifying games the players must be withdrawn from their clubs so that he can train with them exclusively at a training camp.

ITALY by Keir Radnedge

Inter face AC Milan in the Cup



Roberto Bettega of Italy.

IT WILL be a long time before the shock waves from the betting scandal have subsided.

But by grand coincidence — or was it a coincidence? — the decision to allow foreigners back into *Calcio* has stimulated interest which appeared to have sunk to rock bottom levels when the national team couldn't even pull capacity crowds for their own games in the European championship.

Yet the major news item of the past few weeks has not been a transfer, but the decision of the FIGC appeal court that Lazio of Rome should also be relegated for their role in the scandal.

Whatever the protests from the club, it was only logical that if Milan (the bribers) had already gone down, that Lazio (the bribed, but also the instigators) should tumble with them.

And while the appeal court commuted the life ban on Lazio goalkeeper Massimo Cacciatori to four years (as also, in the case of Milan's Ricky Albertosi), that was the only good news for the Lazio camp. Skipper and sweeper Pino Wilson was banned for life and striker Bruno Giordano and stopper Lioneklo Manfredonia had their suspensions extended from 21 and 18 months to three years!

All of which left Lazio's new Dutchman, Rene Van der Kerkhof, stranded between the devil and the deep blue sea. Only first division clubs may sign foreigners. So, less than a month after leaving PSV Eindhoven, Van der Kerkhof found himself back on the international transfer list.

In the end he may prove more fortunate than Alberto Bigon, Milan's captain thought he had stayed in the first division when he was transferred at the season's end to . . . Lazio! There will be no transfer again for him. He must battle it out.

And so must Milan. Their appeal against relegation was rejected. But again it's hard to believe it was sheer coincidence that they were then drawn in the same group as neighbours and champions Internazionale in the cup qualifying competition which precedes the league campaign.

It's in everyone's financial interest that there is at least one Milano derby this season!

Inter themselves watched the appeal decisions with special interest, though they were themselves 'clean'.

"The league won't seem the same without the derbies against Milan," complained president Ivanoe Fraizzoli. But probably even more annoying for him was the reduction of only one year in the suspension on Paolo Rossi, the national team's former centre-forward.

"We were so close to signing him," said Fraizzoli, bringing his thumb and forefinger together. "All it needed was for the appeal court to let him off. And why not? They cleared Antognoni, of Fiorentina, and I don't think the accusations were so very different, or the evidence."

Inter have offered Rossi a public relations appointment for two years which would give him the opportunity to keep in training. But for the time being the tarnished golden boy may still hope for a chance to play outside FIFA, in South Africa.

Not that Rossi is the only futurist signing Inter are contemplating. The West German midfielder, Hansi Müller, is another. Inter wanted Müller before turning to the Austrian Herbert Prohaska. And at the end of a recent holiday in Italy, Müller and his girlfriend were accommodated and wined and dined by Fraizzoli and counsellor Sandro Mazzola.

Most of the first division clubs have now signed a foreigner for next season.

Inter have Prohaska; Juventus have — at the pleading of their top stars — paid £600,000 for Arsenal's give-away midfielder Liam Brady; Torino have Holland's Michel Van der Korput; Ascoli landed Tita of Flamengo; Fiorentina have the Argentine World Cup-winner, Daniel Bertoni; Roma, the same day Juve captured Brady, signed Brazil midfielder and footballer of the year Roberto Falcao from Libertadores finalists Internacional of Porto Alegre; Bologna also signed a Brazilian, unsettled Portuguese spearhead Eneas; Avellino's Brazilian is Juary, ex-Santos.

The return of the foreign legion will increase initial interest and, hopefully, the 1980-81 championship will provide an improvement on last season when Inter led from start to finish, and their crowning was almost forgotten amid the welter of revelations about who had paid whom to fix which game.

The problem with the championship race was that no one ever seriously threatened Inter's position. Half-a-dozen clubs — Milan, Juventus, Torino, Roma, Fiorentina and even improbably Ascoli — took up the chase at one stage or another. But no one could put together the necessary consistency for more than a few weeks.

Finally, one of the new faces next season is at the head of the federation itself.

UEFA president Artemio Franchi accepted the warnings provided by his recent illness to decide that no longer could he hold down both jobs — particularly if *Calcio* were to provide any more minefields such as the betting scandal.

He has retired from the head of the FIGC and is succeeded by Renzo Righetti.

ITALIAN LEAGUE APPEARANCES 1979-80

INTERNAZIONALE.—Bordon 30 — Canuti 26, G. Baresi 30 — Pasinato 27, Mozzini 22, Bini 28 — Caso 29, Marini 29, Altobelli 29, Beccalossi 27, Oriali 25. **Reserves:** Muraro 24, Pancheri 17, Ambu 13, Cipollini 1, Occhipinti 1. **Top scorer:** Altobelli 15 goals.

JUVENTUS.—Zoff 30 — Cuccureddu 26, Cabrini 26 — Furino 25, Gentile 26, Scirea 30 — Causio 26, Tardelli 19, Bettega 28, Prandelli 18, Fanna 22. **Reserves:** Marocchino 22, Brio 20, Tavola 13, Virdis 13, Verza 11, Marangon 1, Pin 1. **Top scorer:** Bettega 16.

MILAN.—(Relegated in bribes scandal). Albertosi 20 — Collovati 27, Maldera 28 — De Vecchi 29, Bet 17, F. Baresi 28 — Novellino 28, Buriani 30, Antonelli 26, Bigon 18, Chiodi 26. **Reserves:** Romano 23, Carotti 15, Morini 11, Minoia 11, Rigamonti 10, Galluzzo 4, Mandressi 3, Capello 3, Navazzotti 1. **Top scorer:** Chiodi 7.

TORINO.—Terraneo 30 — Volpati 26, Vullo 24 — P. Sala 27, Danova 25, Masi 19 — C. Sala 24, Pecci 26, Graziani 30, Zaccarelli 15, Pulici 23. **Reserves:** Mandorlini 21, Pileggi 13, Greco 13, Marini 12, Salvadori 11, Sclosa 9, Paganini 5, Bonesso 1, Carrera 1. **Top scorer:** Graziani 12.

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SOUTH AMERICA by Eric Weil

RIVER PLATE ALMOST HOME

WITH some clubs having six and others seven matches to go in the Argentine first division at press-time, River Plate's "magic number" is seven — the number of points needed by them or lost by their closest challengers to retain the title. Since the resumption of the championship after Argentina's European tour (which also coincided roughly with the club's elimination from the Libertadores Cup which they had given preference to), River Plate have only lost once in 14 matches.

Huracan, the ony club to beat them twice this season, won 1-0 at River Plate's field, well led by 1974 World Cup midfielders Babington and Brindisi. But in this period River Plate have picked up 22 of a possible 28 points and have become more solid in defence — forgetting their natural all-out attacking style to speculate in the quest for points — tactics which might have brought them more success in the Libertadores Cup also.

Challenge

The chief challenge now comes from Cordoba's Talleres who were invited to the first division this season following numerous successful seasons in the national championship which, however, they never actually won. But River Plate's 1-0 win in Cordoba — where they defended more to gain at least a point — virtually stopped the challenge and they were six points ahead at press time. Talleres have been held back by too many team changes — some surprising such as leaving internationals Bravo, Valencia and Ludueña on the reserve bench — international problems (which resulted in 15-day suspensions for Valencia and Ludueña and caused a 5-1 battering by Huracan) and now Cordoba's climate. Strong winds spoilt their undoubtedly superior soccer at recent home matches.

Meanwhile Boca Juniors, Argentina's most popular club apart from River Plate, have moved into the top half of the table — unbeaten in their last eight matches — after having to fight in the relegation zone for the first half of the season. But coach Antonio Rattin — their former famous international centre-half — still wants to leave as soon as his contract ends, being fed up with all the worry and complaints. Rattin seems to be flogging new life into Boca's many veterans such as Veglio, Coch, Suñe and others who have stamped their class on recent good performances, helped by improving newcomers such as defenders Cordoba and Ruggeri and striker Randazzo.

Outes (left) — his return made a difference to Independiente in attack. Defender Ruggieri — one of Boca Juniors' outstanding newcomers in the Argentine first division.

Modest

Locked in third place with Huracan — eight points from the top — are modest Argentinos Juniors and Platense, but while the former suffered from Maradona's loss of form, the latter's more surprising challenge puffed out as a result of Juarez's injury. Twenty-year-old Maradona's form must have suffered as a result of all the commotion over his frustrated transfer to Barcelona.

He still tops the scorers with 20 goals, but has only found the net once in the last nine games which still leaves him seven short of a century of league goals. He is expected to return to form now that his immediate future here seems to be settled. Striker Juarez meanwhile tore ligaments while crashing into an opponent and needed an operation which will keep him out for the rest of the season. Juarez was not only Platense's only dangerous forward, but also their leading scorer and they have lost both their games against rivals in the bottom half of the table since his injury.

Bottom

Independiente became the latest club to fire their coach — former goalkeeper Santoro — because of poor performances, but under new coach Miguel Juarez they continued to lose. Only just at press time did they gain an unconvincing first win in nine games, 2-1 over bottom All Boys, the main difference being made by the return of centre-forward Outes, enabling Bochini to return to his usual midfield role with the two internationals playing a good combined game.

But relegation of the bottom three clubs — Quilmes 22 points, Tigre 21, All Boys 19 — now seems to be on the cards. Immediately above them are four of Buenos Aires' seven big clubs — Racing and Independiente 28 points, Velez Sarsfield 26, San Lorenzo 25 — who, even if playing badly, should have the resources to just keep clear of relegation.

River Plate's Luque beats Tocalli for River Plate's first goal in the 3-1 win over Quilmes in the Argentine first division which left them six points ahead in the table.

• IN COLOMBIA, Deportivo Cali and Atletico Junior (Barranquilla) shared first place in the opening championship of the two into which the Colombian season is divided and they were due to play off for the title, although both qualified for the final championship round to be played at the end of the season.

In the second stage the top seven and bottom seven play in different groups — with inter-group matches — and the top two from each group plus two other clubs obtaining most points in both tournaments also qualify for the eight-team final round.

Reputation

Both leaders were under Argentine coaches — Eduardo Lujan Manera at Deportivo Cali and Jose Varacka at Atletico Junior, but Manera resigned a couple of days later, because his reputation was severely damaged in an investigation into drug taking by players of Caldas when he managed that club in 1978. His resignation was immediately accepted. Another Argentine coach, Osbaldo Zubeldia, who was in charge of Estudiantes de La Plata in his own country when they won the Libertadores Cup three years running (1968-70), also intended to resign from Nacional over disagreements with the club's committee because of the team's poor performances.

Deportivo Cali finished with most goals — 45 in the 26 matches — and Atletico Juniors with the best defence (15 against) while leading scorer was Brazilian Mario Queiroz (Millionarios) with 12 goals. A total of 42 foreign players had lined up for the 14 clubs with over half of them (22) Argentines.

• IN URUGUAY, Nacional are comfortable eight-point leaders in the first division and Libertadores Cup finalists with three veteran internationals — brought back from abroad — being the backbone of the team.

Victor Esparrago, 35, and Juan Carlos Blanco, 32, played in Spain and Julio Cesar Morales, 36, in Austria and their signing had been heavily criticized because of their age. In fact Esparrago and Morales — who were in Nacional's team which won the Libertadores Cup for the only time in 1971 and in the Uruguayan World Cup team in 1970 — could be back playing for Uruguay in the "Little World Cup" tournament in Montevideo, between former World Cup winners, at the end of the year. The presence of these veterans has not only improved the quality of Nacional's soccer, but has also helped to bring more fans back to the stadium.

• IN PARAGUAY, Olimpia, fielding reserves on a couple of occasions while unsuccessfully trying to defend the Libertadores Cup in the semi final stage, are still nearer the bottom of the first division table than the top and likely to lose their domestic title also.

Meanwhile Cerro Porteno could not pay their players who refused to turn out against Sportivo Luqueno.

Cobreloa unbeaten in ten matches

They had to field reserves and went down 1-0 to lose the league lead to Libertad.

• IN CHILE, Cobreloa remained unbeaten for the first 10 matches before going down 2-1 to O'Higgins, another provincial team, but they still lead the first division jointly with Universidad de Chile and the two are leaving the rest behind.

Both teams have a bonus point for reaching the semi-finals of the pre-season tournament and third-placed O'Higgins are five points behind. Champions Colo Colo continue heavily in debt to the tune of three million dollars and are under intervention. Elections for a new club committee were called, but there were no candidates to take over a "sinking ship". Results have naturally suffered and they have slipped down to eighth place. Meanwhile newly-promoted Iquique, surprise winners of the pre-season tournament, have not maintained their early promise and are joint 13th of 18 teams in spite of their two-point bonus.

NORTH AMERICA by Colin Jose

Race for play-offs hots up

WITH most teams having but six games left in the regular schedule, the race for play-off spots in the North American Soccer League has intensified in recent weeks.

Two teams from each of the six leagues automatically qualify along with two teams from each of the leagues two divisions with the next highest number of points. Here is how the situation stands with approximately three weeks of play left.

National Conference — Eight teams qualify.

Eastern Division — The powerful New York Cosmos have a comfortable lead in this division, while the Washington Diplomats, after a bad mid season slump, have come back to win their last five games by an aggregate score of 16-7 and now seem certain to finish second.

Toronto Blizzard, after holding second place for a number of weeks, have slipped back to third and unless their recent form improves are in danger of missing the play-offs. Rochester, the fourth placed team, are ten points back of the Blizzard.

Central Division — Tulsa, after leading in this division for most of the season, have slumped alarmingly losing eight of their last ten games including a 7-1 loss to Chicago and a 5-1 defeat by Washington.

This has allowed Dallas Tornado to overtake the Roughnecks even though the Tornado have had their problems this season also with a seven game losing streak during May and June. Lurking close behind the front two are Minnesota who might yet grab top spot before it is all over. Atlanta are last having won just six of the 26 games they have played.

Western Division — Seattle lead in the west with the best record of any team in the league. However, they have slipped a little in recent weeks losing back to back games for the first time to Washington and New York. Still they should hold on to first place ahead of the Los Angeles Aztecs who are forty points behind but have two games in hand.

Vancouver, last year's champions, have had an up and down season but should make the play-offs with a wild card position. Portland have had a bad season but have shown improvement recently under new coach Vic Crowe, even so their chances of making the play offs are slim.

American Conference — Eight teams qualify.

Eastern Division — For a long time this looked to be a two horse race between Fort Lauderdale and Tampa, but Noel Cantwell's New England Tea Men came from nowhere winning nine games in a row and currently occupy second place ahead of Tampa and just four points behind the front running strikers.

Philadelphia, despite recent wins over New York and Seattle are last well behind the front three.

Central Division — Chicago, with the second best record in the entire league, lead well ahead of the second place Houston Hurricane who are in a battle for second with the Detroit Express.

After struggling for most of the season Houston have shown signs of being a power in recent weeks, while Memphis who have just suffered through a six game losing streak are last.

Western Division — In what many consider the weakest division in the league the California Surf lead the Edmonton Drillers, while San Diego are third. Recently San Diego fired coach Hubert Vogelsinger and replaced him with Ron Newman, who formerly coached Dallas and Fort Lauderdale, but the change doesn't seem to have made any difference. San Jose in last place are one of the poorest teams in the league along with Atlanta and Philadelphia.

New York Cosmos, who are undoubtedly the class of the NASL but don't always show it, recently found themselves losing back to back games to two of the league's weaker teams in Detroit and Philadelphia.

Then they faced a home game against the top team, the Seattle Sounders. Pride was undoubtedly on the line here and the Cosmos were two up at half-time on goals from Julio Cesar Romero and Francois Van der Elst. Giorgio Chinaglia with his 24th goal of the season made it 3-0 at 53:48 before Jeff Bourne scored for Seattle with less than four minutes left to play.

"We made a couple of defensive errors and that cost us," said Seattle goalkeeper Jack Brand who recently broke the NASL record for shut-outs (games without a goal against) with 14.

However, the Sounders were back on track against Toronto four days later winning 3-1 thanks to two goals from young American Mark Peterson and his 23rd of the season from Roger Davies.

Brand had an easy night until Peter Lorimer's low drive from 20 yards beat him with just over four minutes left. "It was pretty quiet out there, but I'll take it any way I can," said Brand. "This was the easiest game of the season for me. It was a credit to the way the team played in front of me."

Although the Sounders seem certain to win their division they want to stay ahead of new York in the race for the most total points. This would allow the Seattle club to meet the wild card team with the least number of points in the first-round of the play-offs, and with Seattle having slipped a bit of late the Cosmos, once well behind are within striking distance.

While Seattle and New York look to be the class of the NASL this year Vancouver have had their problems. Recently they let Alan Ball and Willie Johnston go replacing them with Kevin Hector and Alan Taylor from Norwich City.

The displays of goalkeeper Bruce Grobbelaar have attracted attention and he has kept former Scottish international David Harvey out of the team. Now Grobbelaar is in the process of being transferred to Liverpool. One big plus for the Whitecaps this season has been the play of Canadian youth international Gerry Gray who has nailed down a midfield spot.

Canadian Brian Budd well known in Europe for his performances in the World Superstars competition, has been transferred to the Houston Hurricane from the Toronto Blizzard. Budd, whose soccer abilities have often been questioned has not been able to hold down a regular spot in the NASL for the past three seasons. However, he has been staring for Houston since joining them. The Hurricane have also signed Gerd Zimmermann from Fortuna Dusseldorf and Werner Moors a defender once with Arminia Bielefeld.

Very few top soccer players have ever come from the Channel Islands off the coast of France, but winger Craig Allen is making a name for himself with the California Surf with nine goals this season to date. Brazilian defender Oscar who joined the New York Cosmos from the Brazilian club Ponte Preta before the season started has been transferred to Sao Paulo after playing just three games.

New signings in the NASL before the transfer deadline were Haitian international winger Emmanual Sanon by San Diego from the Belgian club Beerschott, Mexican international Hugo Sanchez also by San Diego on loan from Universidad, Argentinian Mario Benita Luna to Washington from Newell's Old Boys, Washington Olivera from Penerol of Uruguay to Tampa and Teodoro Santana on loan to Dallas from Sao Paulo.

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National Conference						
Eastern Division						
NEW YORK COSMOS	25	18	7	66	33	161
WASHINGTON DIPLOMATS	26	13	13	56	50	124
Toronto Blizzard	26	12	14	39	44	107
Rochester Lancers	26	11	14	36	47	97
Central Division						
DALLAS TORNADO	25	13	12	38	43	111
TULSA ROUGHNECKS	26	12	14	44	48	109
Minnesota Kicks	26	11	15	41	45	100
Atlanta Chiefs	26	6	20	23	69	57
Western Division						
SEATTLE SOUNDERS	27	22	5	65	25	181
LOS ANGELES AZTECS	25	17	8	46	33	141
Vancouver Whitecaps	26	14	12	44	38	119
Portland Timbers	25	10	15	31	40	87
American Conference						
Eastern Division						
FT. LAUDERDALE STRIKERS	26	15	11	48	41	134
NEW ENGLAND TEA MEN	26	15	11	46	43	130
Tampa Bay Rowdies	26	14	12	45	44	125
Philadelphia Fury	26	8	18	29	49	74
Central Division						
CHICAGO STING	26	19	7	65	37	165
HOUSTON HURRICANE	26	12	14	49	50	112
Detroit Express	26	12	14	41	39	107
Memphis Rogues	26	11	15	33	45	96
Western Division						
CALIFORNIA SURF	26	13	13	54	55	125
EDMONTON DRILLERS	26	13	13	48	43	115
San Diego Sockers	26	12	14	38	44	104
San Jose Earthquakes	26	7	19	35	55	73

The top two teams in each league qualify for the play-offs plus the two teams with the next highest points in each conference. The table shows the teams as they stand at the end of July. At this point Toronto and Vancouver have the wild card spots in the National Conference and Tampa Bay and Detroit in the American.

Attacking football has gone to the wind

by Ken Goldman

IN the musical "Kiss Me Kate" one of the characters sings: "Where is the life that once I led — gone with the wind."

That question applied to bright attacking football would end up with the same answer — gone with the wind!

While all seem to recognise that it is essential if our game is to survive none want to be the first to experiment.

During the recent European Championships one was horrified to hear the 'panel of experts' talk in terms of having two men up field with four men in the middle and with little thought of getting goals, merely hoping that they might be a by-product of defensive play coupled with a springboard attacking ploy.

Indeed the final tally of goals per match was so low and equated so nearly to the panel's contentions that I was led to believe that there had been a change in the laws of the game and it was now a prohibited measure to play with three or indeed four attackers up front.

A quick re-read of the laws showed no one had passed such a rule-change but only those who have charge of teams had adopted it to avoid defeat.

Cliff Jones, that great Spurs and Wales winger of the sixties and a member of the double-winning side, said he bemoaned the problems as much as anyone and described the play nowadays in graphic terms when he called it "Penguin Football" — mostly black and with no wings."

Conditional

Obviously the lack of wings and wingers has a great deal to do with the dull play that exists today. Even if teams wanted to use them it is difficult to find the players to play there because all the youngsters have been conditioned to becoming midfield players of one type or another.

West Ham, with their manager John Lyall, are as attacking minded as anyone but even they were intimidated in the Charity Shield from throwing caution to the winds and going at Liverpool neck and crop.

The Liverpool manager Bob Paisley, an extremely astute man with a tremendously dry sense of humour, obviously had felt the breath of criticism because he was at pains to point out that everyone and he particularly included the groundsmen in that, had to co-operate if we were to see more attractive and attacking football.

This was an echo of what Ron Boyce, West Ham's second-team Manager had said two days previously when his side had beaten Walthamstow Avenue in a friendly match by a rousing four goals to two.

But whereas Lyall and Boyce are entitled to invite others to come to them and play equally attacking football so that the game can flow, the same cannot be said of Bob Paisley at Liverpool.

I am delighted that Paisley is so frequently voted Manager of the Year and I quite saw his point at the Charity Shield press conference when he was admittedly worried over a newspaper report that had said it would be good for football if Liverpool did not win anything this season.

Paisley was particularly worried that if that became commonplace talk it might influence many people including referees on fifty-fifty decisions. No referee would consciously do that but it was on the subconscious level that he was concerned.

Not worried

Fair enough and fair also was the next comment that he was not worried if Liverpool were beaten provided other teams matched and bettered their football which in its turn would be good for the game.

But we now come to the knub of the problem and that is Liverpool *are* so good and they have "Psyched", rather like Mohammad Ali, everyone into believing that they are so good, that no one is prepared to attack them.

Only Arsenal last season gave better than they got against them and that was in the form of out-foxing them DEFENSIVELY while Arsenal were themselves outfoxed by West Ham in the final.

Having pointed all this out, what then should happen. Well I feel it is now encumbant on Bob Paisley and Liverpool to themselves throw the aforementioned caution to the wind and play WHOLLY attacking football. Let them give everyone else a chance and if because of full time attack they beat every other team out of sight I will be the first to buy a cap and throw it into the air.

It is true that Liverpool according to Paisley did shoot badly in the Charity Shield game ("Rubbish" is actually what he said) and that the continentals do have an edge over us in that department but it is not so great judging by the shooting results in the recent European Championships, or by results in the last four European Cups all won by English Clubs.

Indeed it is a general malaise caused by refusal to play enough men up front and whilst for a long time I would not go along with Brian Glanville on systems being so important I have now come round to his way of thinking.

It is plainly obvious that if two men up-front play four at the back they the strikers have almost next to no chance. Better to send up four men and play 3-3-4 or 4-2-4 or play with wingers or indeed play with a Beckenbauer type of sweeper as John Cartwright is doing with his successful England Youth team, using this as an attacking rather than a defensive ploy.

When attack and goals are the order of the day there will be a change in the direction of the wind and the football life that once we led will be back with us and so will the vast crowds who used to follow the game.

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RUSSIA

Champions' Cup: MOSCOW SPARTAK. 10-9 (6). Back in the Champions' Cup after a remarkable revival inspired by national boss Constantin Beskov. He took over Spartak three years ago when they dropped into the second division, brought them straight back out and made them champions. Not only that, but he then called on six of his men for the Olympic squad — goalkeeper Renat Dassayev, defenders Vagis Khidiatulin and Oleg Romantsev, midfielders Fedor Cherenkov and Sergei Shavlo, and forward Yuri Gavrilov. **Drawn** against Jeunesse d'Esch.

Cup-winners' Cup: DYNAMO TBILISI. 2-2 (6). Some confusion remained after the draw because the Soviet federation insisted that if Tbilisi lost to Shakhtor Donetsk in the cup final (August 9) then the teams would swap competitions, with Tbilisi going into the UEFA Cup! Either way, Tbilisi, who claim an average home crowd of 60,000, should do well in Europe. They demonstrated their potential in their Champions' Cup victory over Liverpool last season, and in skipper and general David Kipiani, and left winger Ramas Shengelia, they have two of the most outstanding Soviet players. **Drawn** against Kastoria.

UEFA Cup: SHAKHTOR DONETSK. 0-2 (3). In the past few years unfashionable Shakhtor have lost around 15 top players as well as coach Vladimir Salkov to the Moscow clubs. Yet the conveyor belt keeps bringing new stars forward to support top scorer Vitaly Staroukhin (26 goals last season). **Drawn** against holders Eintracht Frankfurt (unless they switch into the Cup-winners' Cup, as explained in Tbilisi section).

DYNAMO KIEV. 8-4 (12). So far the only Soviet team to have won a European trophy, the Cup-winners' Cup in 1975. Outstanding player remains Oleg Blokhin, who has now overtaken Nikita Simonian's career goal-scoring record. Founded in 1927 and frequently pull 90,000-capacity crowds for their home Euro-ties. Victor Kolotov and Leonid Buryak remain of the old guard and Vladimir Bessonov in midfield is the best of the new generation. **Drawn** against Levsky-Spartak.

MOSCOW DYNAMO. 11-5 (6). most famous of all Soviet clubs thanks to that controversial British tour immediately after the last war. Finished runners-up to Glasgow Rangers in the infamous 1972 Cup-winners' Cup final which was marred by the Scots' fans drunken malevolence. Fell to Nantes in the CWC quarter finals last season, but supplied three players to the Olympic squad — goalkeeper Vladimir Pilgui, defender Sergei Nikoulin, and forward Valeri Gazzayev. **Drawn** against Lokeren.

SCOTLAND

Champions' Cup: ABERDEEN. 2-2 (9). Revitalised by Ally MacLeod, whose work was carried on by Billy McNeill, laying the foundations on which Alec Ferguson built so splendidly to take Aberdeen to the league title for the first time in 25 years. Also reached the League Cup final — losing 3-0 to Dundee United in a replay after a 0-0 draw. However they have lost a major reason for the renaissance with the summer sale of top-scorer Steve Archibald (22 goals) to Tottenham. **Drawn** against FK Austria.

Cup-winners' Cup: CELTIC. 31-26 (17). Just lost out to Aberdeen in the league but placated their fans by defeating deadly rivals Rangers 1-0 after extra time (and before the riot) to improve their record total of cup wins. Beaten in the Champions' Cup quarter finals last season by Real Madrid. Englishman Peter Latchford in goal was one of ony two ever-presents in the league, underlining the problems in attach which manager Billy McNeill hopes to have resolved with the signing of £300,000 Frank McGarvey from Liverpool. **Drawn** against Diosgyoer in the preliminary round with the prospect of a meeting with Politechnia Timisoara.

UEFA Cup: DUNDEE UTD. 0-0 (8). Won the League Cup by defeating champions-elect Aberdeen 3-0 in a replay after a 0-0 draw. Manager Jim McLean's side promises more success to come with Colin Campbell, Paul Sturrock and Willie Pettigrew a lively attack, Paul Hegarty gaining in stature in defence thanks to his Scotland calls, and Eamonn Banon settling well in midfield after an unhappy spell with Chelsea. **Draw** against Slask Wroclaw.

ST MIRREN. 0-2 (—). Newcomers to Europe thanks in large measure to the 31 goals of £100,000 part-timer Dougie Sumner, from Partick Thistle. **Drawn** against Elfsborg.

SPAIN

Champions' Cup: REAL MADRID. 20-13 (24). Founded 1902 and still wearing the famous all-white strip in which they won six Champions' Cups — including the first five — and finished runners-up on two other occasions, as well being CWC finalists once. World club cup winners in 1960 and the most famous club in the world. Underlined their remarkable continued domination in Spain by landing the league and cup double in what was an eventful introduction for black England winger, Laurie Cunningham. Beaten in the Champions' Cup semi final by Hamburg 2-0, 1-5 but hardly promise to do any better this coming season since there have been no major singings and veteran skipper and sweeper Pirri has left for Puebla of Mexico. The men who matter are West German midfielder Uli Stielike — who has singed a new three-year contract — and salmon-like centre forward Santillana. **Drawn** against Limerick.

Cup-winners' Cup: VALENCIA. 4-5 (14). Competing as holders, after their penalty-spot victory over Arsenal in the Brussels final. Coach Alfredo Di Stefano has surprisingly been released, but the team appears stronger for the departure of the German, Rainer Bonhof, and the big-money introduction of Uruguayan spearhead Fernando Morena, whose 20 goals last season nearly saved Rayo Vallecano from relegation. **Drawn** against Monaco.

CASTILLA. 0-0 (—). The Real Madrid nursery club, who reached the cup final after an astonishing series of two-leg victories over first division rivals Gijon, Bilbao, Hercules and Real Sociedad. In the final they lost 6-1 to big brothers Real Madrid — but the fact of getting there represented a major success for coach Juanjo and his younsters, three of whom went to Moscow with the Spanish Olympic team. One, goalkeeper Augustin, has now switched into the senior Madrid squad. Castilla finished seventh in the second division. **Drawn** against West Ham and though matches are usually in the Madrid Sports City, this home tie will be played in the Estadio Bernabeu.

UEFA Cup: REAL SOCIEDAD DE SAN SEBASTIAN. 0-0 (3). Should have won the league, but when they suffered their first defeat of the season — in the penultimnate game — Real Madrid slipped in front. A club built on home-grown talent and blessed with outstanding players of first rank in goalkeeper Luis Maria Arconada, midfielder Jesus Zamora and centre forward Jesus Maria Satrustegui. **Drawn** against Ujpest Dozsa.

GIJON. 0-0 (2). Another home-grown success story. Gijon couldn't quite match their consistency of the previous season, when they finished league runners-up, but they did more than enough to return to the UEFA Cup. The sale of league top scorer Quini to Barcelona created a big hole in attack and Gijon have scoured Europe in search of a younger replacement. However Enzo Ferrero, the Argentine, remains in attack and Vicente Miera — the man who brought Gijon out of the second division a few years back — has taken over the reins again as coach. **Drawn** against Bohemians Prague.

FC BARCELONA. 9-18 (23). The club who have played more games in European competition than any other club very nearly didn't make it this time. After losing their Cup-winners' Cup crown to Valencia in last season's quarter finals it took a remarkable effort under caretaker coach Helenio Herrera to scramble up to UEFA Cup spot. Since then, Barcelona have spent more than £1 million on new men — including the league's top scorer Quini (from Gijon), national team sweeper Alesanco (Bilbao) and have settled their differences with the Austrian Hans Krankl, who returns from Vienna after being turfed out in the middle of last season. **Drawn** against Sliema Wanderers.

SWEDEN

Champions' Cup: HALMSTAD. 2-0 (1). Coached by an Englishman, Roy Hodgson, a former colleague of the more famous Bob Houghton when both were players at Beria Park in South Africa. Like Houghton has developed a winning team thanks to discipline rather than dash. Lost 3-2 on aggregate to Dynamo Dresden in the first round in 1977-78 on their only previous appearance in Europe, in the Champions' Cup. Key player is ex-Schalke midfielder Lennart Larsen. **Drawn** against Esbjerg.

Cup-winners' Cup: MALMö. 12-12 (16). Have won the league and cup more times than any other Swedish team, mainly thanks to the recent years under Bob Houghton. However, though he has now left for Ethnikos of Greece, Malmö have maintained their practical style under Keith Blunt. Tim Parkin (ex Blackburn) now runs the centre of defence following the departures of veterans Tapper, Bo Larsson and Kristensen. Malmö, notorious for the 1979 appearance in the Champions' Cup Final (0-1 v Nottingham Forest), won the Swedish cup by defeating Brage 7-6 on penalties after a 0-0 draw. **Drawn** against Partizan Tirana.

UEFA Cup: ELFSBORG. 4-0 (2). One of the oldest clubs in the Swedish league. Founded in 1904 and an early member of the league when it was set up at the start of the 1930s. Lost their best player last winter when international centre forward Thomas Ahlstroem joined Olympiakos of Greece. **Drawn** against St Mirren.

IFK GOTEBORG. 8-1 (5). In Torbjorn Nilssen IFK possess probably Sweden's most consistent forward of the last couple of years. However even Nilsson, the first full-time professional in the country, was left comparatively in the shade when IFK went down 1-5, 0-0 to Arsenal in last season's CWC quarter finals. **Drawn** against Twente Enschede.

SWITZERLAND

Champions' Cup: BASEL. 8-5 (15). Basel have a reputation for keeping faith with their coaches and former West German international wing half Helmut Benthaus hasn't let them down. They've collected most of their titles during his 15 years — even if the present side is possibly the most underrated of all. A late spurt in the final round of the league championship saw them force their way through when the title race was apparently between Servette and Grasshoppers. **Drawn** against Brugge.

Cup-winners' Cup: SION. 0-3 (3). Surprise cup winners, beating Young boys' Berne 2-1 in the final. Coach Daniel Jeandupeux has left to

Laurie Cunningham of Real Madrid.

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take over Zurich, and been succeeded by the Argentine Oscar Arce, who had been coaching in England with Luton and Sheffield United. **Drawn** against Hauger of Norway.

UEFA Cup: SERVETTE. 14-5 (14). Hungarian exile Peter Paszmandy faces a difficult task to rebuild both morale and his team. International goalkeeper Karl Engel has left for Xamax, and footballer of the year and midfielder general Umberto Barberis is now with Monaco. Last season was a big comedown after the previous year, when Servette landed the league, the cup and the league cup. This time they had to be satisfied with the league cup only, beating Grasshoppers 3-0 in the final. **Drawn** against Sochaux.

GRASSHOPPERS. 17-13 (12). Record winners of both league and cup. Overtaken in the league this time however by Basel, and beaten in the league cup final by Servette, 3-0. Claudio Sulser is still scoring goals, but it will be interesting to see how he fares without the midfield aide of Raimundo Ponte (now Nottingham Forest). **Drawn** against KB Copenhagen.

WALES

Champions' Cup: No entry possible.

Cup-winners' Cup: NEWPORT. 0-0 (—). Their first campaign in Europe after beating Shrewsbury to win the Welsh Cup. In fact, since Shrewsbury are border-English, Newport were assured a place in Europe even had they lost. Manager is former Sunderland stalwart Len Ashurst. Newport moved up to the Third Division at the end of last season — a remarkable transition, since a year before they were on the brink of folding up. **Drawn** against Crusaders.

UEFA Cup: No entry possible.

TURKEY

Champions' Cup: TRABZONSPOR. 4-3 (3). Could have been four past European campaigns, but after winning the Cup in 1978 they were barred from Europe as a result of previous crowd and player misbehaviour. Stultifyingly effective, the impermeability of their defence being recognised during the winter when goalkeeper Senol was named Sportsman of the Year. Their first defeat last season didn't arrive until February — and then it was only by 1-0! **Drawn** against Szombierki Bytom.

Cup-winners' Cup: ALTAY IZMIR. 0-2 (5). Narrowest of cup wins when they surprisingly beat Galatasaray 1-0, 1-1 in the two-leg final. have appeared in Europe ony once in the past decade, going down 1-5, 4-1 to Carl Zeiss Jena in the UEFA Cup first round. **Drawn** against Benfica in the preliminary round, with the prospect of a tie with Dynamo Zagreb.

UEFA Cup: FENERBAHCE. 8-3 (16). Turkey's most experienced club in Europe, and their all-time record champions. New coach is Friedel Rausch, surprisingly released this summer after guiding Eintracht Frankfurt to the UEFA Cup. He's their third coach inside a year. Sukru Ergoy started last season, and was replaced in January by Ziya Sengulin. **Drawn** against Beroe Stara Zagora.

WEST GERMANY

Champions' Cup: BAYERN MUNICH. 6-5 (13). European champions in 1974, 1975 and 1976 as well as winners of the 1967 Cup-winners' Cup. It appeared, after Franz Beckenbauer's departure to Cosmos three years ago, that Bayern would fall apart. But after a bit of a rought time they outlasted Hamburg impressively last season to collect their first championship in six years. Coach is Hungarian exile Pal Csernai, aided by general manager (and ex-player) Uli Hoeness. Sepp Maier has retired because of his car crash injuries, Georg Schwarzenbeck is plagued by injury and Gerd Müller of course followed Beckenbauer to the US. But Paul Breitner has been outstanding in midfield and Karl-Heinz Rummenigge was not the league's top scorer last season with 26 goals, but was voted Player of the Tournament at the end of the European championship finals. The only other Bayern man in Italy was reserve goalkeeper,

Horst Hrubesch, after scoring two goals for West Germany in the European Championship Final, will be playing for Hamburg in the UEFA Cup this season.

Walter Junghans. **Drawn** against Olympiakos Piraeus.

Cup-winners' Cup: FORTUNA DUSSELDORF. 1-2 (4). Back for a third successive year are Fortuna. They were CWC runners-up in 1979, losing a brilliant final 4-3 to Barcelona in Basel in extra-time, yet they had only entered the competition as losing finalists because Köln, the previous season, had achieved the double. Last season Fortuna were the only German club to fall early in Europe, losing 1-2 in the first round to Rangers. However they won the cup by surprisingly gaining a revenge 2-1 win over Köln and Klaus Allofs went on to become the top scorer in the European finals thanks to his hat-trick against Holland. **Drawn** against Austria-Salzburg.

UEFA Cup: EINTRACHT FRANKFURT. 1-2 (10). Holders of the UEFA Cup thanks to their away goal rule victory (3-3 agg.) over Borussia Moenchengladback in the two-leg final. Won the crown without star general Jürgen Grabowski, who was injured and has since retired. The star role now is held by Austrian central defender Bruno Pezzey, though it was questionable at one stage whether Frankfurt would retain him after expulsions twice cost hefty suspensions last season. Useful young forwards in Harald Karger and Ronne Borchers. **Drawn** against Shakhtor Donetsk (possibly Tbilisi if the Russians succeed in their swap!).

Mike Thomas of Wales and Manchester United.

HAMBURG. 4-2 (11). Now minus Kevin Keegan, it will be interesting to see how they fare — particularly after Franz Beckenbauer joins them from New York Cosmos in November (though he won't be available for Europe until the quarter finals). Hamburg have most of last season's squad staying on, but Peter Nogly has left for the US and after more incidents in pre-season training and matches there is a question-mark against the future of Yugoslav coach Branko Zebec. Provided rightback Manni Kaltz, midfielders Felix Magath and Caspar Memering and centre forward Horst Hrubesch — two-goal match-winner in the final against Belgium — for the West German European squad. **Drawn** against Sarajevo.

STUTTGART. 2-2 (6). Ran Hamburg close in the league in 1979, but slipped a little last season under pressure of internal trouble. This appears to have been resolved with the return from Switzerland of coach Jürgen Sundermann, the man who first gave a chance to European stars such as Hansi Müller and Karl-Heinz Förster. Both starred in West Germany's European title win, and Förster's elder brother, Bernd, played in the opening game against Czechoslovakia. Went down 2-1, 0-2 to Borussia Mg in last season's UEFA Cup semi finals. **Drawn** against Pezoporikos Larnaca.

KAISERSLAUTERN. 2-1 (3). Lost 1-0, 1-4 to Bayern Munich in last season's UEFA Cup quarter finals. Their greatest days were in the early 1950s when they fielded the nucleus of West Germany's 1954 World Cup-winning team, inspired by inside left Fritz Walter. Suspect temperament cost them the 1979 league title but their consistency last season and the explosion of midfielder Hans-Peter Briegel in the European championship underlined their potential. **Drawn** against Anderlecht.

1st FC KÖLN. 3-2 (17). Double winners in 1978, and Champions' Cup semi-finalists in 1979 when they drew brilliantly 3-3 away to Nottingham Forest, ony to lose the return in front of their own fans. New coach is Karl-Heinz Heddergott, from the DFB staff, who replaced Cosmos-bound Hennes Weisweiler towards the end of the season and just in time for the disappointing 2-1 cup final defeat by Fortuna Dusseldorf. Strengthened their side with the Swiss forward Rene Botteron, and recalled Rainer Bonhof from Valencia — though only after a great deal of argument and bitterness (*see* World Soccer Diary). Expecting great things this season from the twin spearhead of Dieter Müller and Tony Woodcock. **Drawn** against Akranes of Iceland.

YUGOSLAVIA

Champions' Cup: RED STAR BELGRADE. 13-9 (21). Record league and cup winners, and they could have improved on their totals even further had they not missed out on the double, losing 0-1, 1-1 to Dynamo Zagreb in the cup final. UEFA Cup runners-up in 1979 and went out in last year's third round to Bayern Munich. Vladimir Petrovic still runs the show, but the anticipated sale of Dusan Nikolic (to Birmingham) reduces their strength in depth in midfield. **Drawn** against Viking Stavanger.

Cup-winners' Cup: DYNAMO ZAGREB. 3-7 (17). Fairs' Cup winners when they beat Leeds in 1967. Pipped on goal difference to the league title by Hajduk Split in 1979, but made sure of the domestic cup this last season by defeating champions Red Star Belgrade 1-0, 1-1. **Drawn** against Benfica or Altay Izmir.

UEFA Cup: RADNICKI. 0-0 (—). A first campaign in Europe and if any of their ties go to penalties then national goalkeeper Pantelic will be involved both ways. He's the Radnicki penalty king, and converted a hat-trick from the spot in a league match against Celik last season. **Drawn** against Linz ASK.

SARAJEVO. 1-0 (1). Back in Europe for the first time in 13 years thanks to the sharp-shooting of international hat-trick hero, Susic. He was equal top scorer last season with 17 goals. **Drawn** against Hamburg.

FK NAPREDAK. 0-0 (—). Narrowly escaped relegation in 1979, but powered into a UEFA Cup spot thanks to centre forward Bojo Kostic, who was equal top scorer in the league with 17 goals. **Drawn** against Dynamo Dresden.

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Red Star v Zagreb
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August 31
Vojvodina v Red Star
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Partizan v Radnicki
Zagreb v Rijeka
September 7
Red Star v Rijeka
Radnicki v Zagreb
Sloboda v Partizan
Borac v Galenika
Vardar v Sarajevo
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Vojvodina v Olimpia
September 14
Olimpia v Red Star
Buducnost v Vojvodina
Napredak v Dynamo
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Sarajevo v Zeljeznicar
Galenika v Vardar
Partizan v Borac
Zagreb v Sloboda
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September 21
Red Star v Radnicki
Sloboda v Rijeka
Borac v Zagreb
Vardar v Partizan
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October 5
Buducnost v Red Star
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Red Star v Sloboda
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Red Star v Borac
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Olimpia v Radnicki
Buducnost v Rijeka
Napredak v Zagreb
Hajduk v Partizan
Sarajevo v Galenika
November 23
Galenika v Red Star
Partizan v Sarajevo
Zagreb v Hajduk
Rijeka v Napredak
Radnicki v Buducnost
Sloboda v Olimpia
Borac v Vojvodina
Vardar v Dynamo
Zeljeznicar v Velez
November 30
Red Star v Velez
Dynamo v Zeljeznicar
Vojvodina v Vardar
Olimpia v Borac
Buducnost v Sloboda
Napredak v Radnicki
Hajduk v Rijeka
Sarajevo v Zagreb
Galenika v partizan
December 7
Partizan v Red Star
Zagreb v Galenika
Rijeka v Sarajevo
Radnicki v Hajduk
Sloboda v Napredak
Borac v Buducnost
Vardar v Olimpia
Zeljeznicar v Vojvodina
Velez v Dynamo

WEST GERMANY

(Dates in brackets refers to reverse fixtures.)

August 16 (January 17):
1860 München v VfL Bochum
Hamburger SV v MSV Duisburg
VfB Stuttgart v 1.FC Nürnberg
Leverkusen v Kaiserslautern
Arminia Bielefeld v 1.FC Köln
Schalke 04 v Eintr. Frankfurt
Düsseldorf v Bor. M'gladbach
Bor. Dortmund v Bayer Uerdingen
Karlsruher SC v Bayern München

August 19/20 (January 24):
Bayern München v Bor. Dortmund
Borussia M'gladbach v Schalke 04
Eintr. Frankfurt v Arm. Bielefeld
1.FC Köln v Bayer Leverkusen
Kaiserslautern v VfB Stuttgart
1.FC Nürnberg v Hamburger SV
MSV Duisburg v 1860 München
VfL Bochum v Karlsruher SC
Bayer Uerdingen v Fort. Düsseldorf

August 23 (February 7):
1860 München v 1.FC Nürnberg
Hamburger SV v Kaiserslautern
VfB Stuttgart v 1.FC Köln
Bayer Leverkusen v E. Frankfurt
Arm. Bielefeld v Bor. M'gladbach
Schalke 04 v Bayer Uerdingen
F. Düsseldorf v Bayern München
VfL Bochum v MSV Duisburg
Karlsruher SC v Bor. Dortmund

September 2/3 (February 14):
Bor. M'gladbach v Bayer Leverkusen
Eintr. Frankfurt v VfB Stuttgart
Kaiserslautern v 1860 München
1.FC Nürnberg v VfL Bochum
MSV Duisburg v Karlsruher SC
Bor. Dortmund v Fort. Düsseldorf
Bayer Uerdingen v Arm. Bielefeld
1.FC Köln v Hamburger SV
Bayern München v Schalke 04

September 6 (February 21):
1860 München v 1.FC Köln
Hamburger SV v Eintracht Frankfurt
VfB Stuttgart v Bor. M'gladbach
Bayer Leverkusen v Bayer Uerdingen
Arm. Bielefeld v Bayern München
Schalke 04 v Borussia Dortmund
MSV Duisburg v 1.FC Nürnberg
VfL Bochum v Kaiserslautern
Karlsruher SC v Fort. Düsseldorf

September 13 (March 7):
Bayern München v Bayer Leverkusen
Bor. M'gladbach v Hamburger SV
Eintr. Frankfurt v 1860 München
1.FC Köln v VfL Bochum
1.FC Kaiserslautern v Duisburg
1.FC Nürnberg v Karlsruher SC
Fortuna Düsseldorf v Schalke 04
Bor. Dortmund v Arminia Bielefeld
Bayer Uerdingen v VfB Stuttgart

September 20 (March 14):
1860 München v Bor. M'gladbach
Hamburger SV v Bayer Uerdingen
VfB Stuttgart v Bayern München
Bayer Leverkusen v Bor. Dortmund
Arm. Bielefeld v Fort. Düsseldorf
1.FC Nürnberg v Kaiserslautern
MSV Duisburg v 1.FC Köln
VfL Bochum v Eintracht Frankfurt
Karlsruher SC v Schalke 04

September 27 (March 21):
Bayern München v Hamburger SV
Bor. M'gladbach v VfL Bochum
Eintr. Frankfurt v MSV Duisburg
1.FC Köln v 1.FC Nürnberg
Kaiserslautern v Karlsruher SC
Schalke 04 v Arminia Bielefeld
Fort. Düsseldorf v Bay. Leverkusen
Bor. Dortmund v VfB Stuttgart
Bayer Uerdingen v 1860 München

October 15 (March 28):
1860 München v Bayern München
Hamburger SV v Bor. Dortmund
VfB Stuttgart v Fort. Düsseldorf
Bayer Leverkusen v Schalke 04
1.FC Kaiserslautern v 1.FC Köln
1.FC Nürnberg v Eintr. Frankfurt
MSV Duisburg v Bor. M'gladbach
Karlsruher SC v Arm. Bielefeld
VfL Bochum v Bayer Uerdingen

October 18 (April 4):
Bayern München v VfL Bochum
Bor. M'gladbach v 1.FC Nürnberg
Eintr. Frankfurt v Kaiserslautern
1.FC Köln v Karlsruher SC
Arm. Bielefeld v Bayer Leverkusen
Schalke 04 v VfB Stuttgart
Fort. Düsseldorf v Hamburger SV
Bor. Dortmund v 1860 München
Bayer Uerdingen v MSV Duisburg

October 25 (April 11):
1860 München v Fort. Düsseldorf
Hamburger SV v Schalke 04
VfB Stuttgart v Arm. Bielefeld
1.FC Köln v Eintracht Frankfurt
Kaiserslautern v Bor. M'gladbach
1.FC Nürnberg v Bayer Uerdingen

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MSV Duisburg v Bayern München
VfL Bochum v Borussia Dortmund
Karlsruher SC v Bayer Leverkusen
November 1 (April 18):
Bayern München v 1.FC Nürnberg
Borussia M'gladbach v 1.FC Köln
Eintr. Frankfurt v Karlsruher SC
Bayer Leverkusen v VfB Stuttgart
Arm. Bielefeld v Hamburger SV
Schalke 04 v 1860 München
Fortuna Düsseldorf v VfL Bochum
Bor. Dortmund v MSV Duisburg
Bayer Uerdingen v Kaiserslautern
November 8 (May 9):
1860 München v Arm. Bielefeld
Hamburger SV v Bayer Leverkusen
Eintr. Frankfurt v Bor. M'gladbach
1.FC Köln v Bayer Uerdingen
Kaiserslautern v Bayern München
1.FC Nürnberg v Bor. Dortmund
MSV Duisburg v Fort. Düsseldorf
VfL Bochum v Schalke 04
Karlsruher SC v VfB Stuttgart
November 15 (May 16):
Bayern München v 1.FC Köln
Bor. M'gladbach v Karlsruher SC
VfB Stuttgart v Hamburger SV
Bayer Leverkusen v 1860 München
Arm. Bielefeld v VfL Bochum
Schalke 04 v MSV Duisburg
Fort. Düsseldorf v 1.FC Nürnberg
Bor. Dortmund v Kaiserslautern
Bayer Uerdingen v Eintr. Frankfurt
November 29 (May 30):
1860 München v VfB Stuttgart
Hamburger SV v Karlsruher SC
Eintr. Frankfurt v Bayern München
1.FC Köln v Borussia Dortmund
Kaiserslautern v Fort. Düsseldorf
1.FC Nürnberg v Schalke 04
MSV Duisburg v Arm. Bielefeld
VfL Bochum v Bayer Leverkusen
Bayer Uerdingen v Bor. M'gladbach
December 6 (June 6):
Bayern München v Bor. M'gladbach
Hamburger SV v 1860 München
VfB Stuttgart v VfL Bochum
Bayer Leverkusen v MSV Duisburg
Arm. Bielefeld v 1.FC Nürnberg
Schalke 04 v 1.FC Kaiserslautern
Fortuna Düsseldorf v 1.FC Köln
Bor. Dortmund v Eintr. Frankfurt
Karlsruher SC v Bayer Uerdingen
December 13 (June 13):
1860 München v Karlsruher SC
Bor. M'gladbach v Bor. Dortmund
Eintr. Frankfurt v F. Düsseldorf
1.FC Köln v Schalke 04
1.FC Kaiserslautern v Bielefeld
1.FC Nürnberg v Bayer Leverkusen
MSV Duisburg v VfB Stuttgart
VfL Bochum v Hamburger SV
Bayer Uerdingen v Bayern München

(Dates in brackets refer to reverse fixtures — but note June 4 'day' out of sequence.)

August 23 (March 1):
Bellinzona v Servette
Chenois v Chiasso
Lausanne v Sion
Lucerne v Grasshoppers
Nordstern v Xamax
Young Boys v Basel
Zurich v St Gallen
August 30 (March 8):
Basel v Chenois
Chiasso v Zurich
Grasshoppers v St Gallen
Lucerne v Bellinzona
Xamax v Lausanne
Servette v Nordstern
Sion v Young Boys
September 6 (March 15):
Bellinzona v Grasshoppers
Chenois v Sion
Lausanne v Servette
Nordstern v Lucerne
St Gallen v Chiasso
Young Boys v Xamax
Zurich v Basel
September 13 (March 22):
Basel v St Gallen
Bellinzona v Nordstern
Grasshoppers v Chiasso
Lucerne v Lausanne
Xamax v Chenois
Servette v Young Boys
Sion v Zurich
September 20 (April 5):
Chenois v Servette
Chiasso v Basel
Lausanne v Bellinzona
Nordstern v Grasshoppers
St Gallen v Sion
Young Boys v Lucerne
Zurich v Xamax
October 4 (April 11):
Bellinzona v Young Boys
Grasshoppers v Basel
Lucerne v Chenois
Xamax v St Gallen
Nordstern v Lausanne
Servette v Zurich
Sion v Chiasso
October 8 (June 4):
Basel v Lausanne
Chiasso v Young Boys
Xamax v Bellinzona
St Gallen v Chenois
Servette v Lucerne
Sion v Nordstern
Zurich v Grasshoppers
October 11 (April 25):
Basel v Sion
Chenois v Bellinzona
Chiasso v Xamax
Lausanne v Grasshoppers
St Gallen v Servette
Young Boys v Nordstern
Zurich v Lucerne
October 19 (May 2/5):
Bellinzona v Zurich
Grasshoppers v Sion
Lausanne v Young Boys
Lucerne v St Gallen
Xamax v Basel
Nordstern v Chenois
Servette v Chiasso
October 25 (May 9):
Basel v Servette
Chenois v Lausanne
Chiasso v Lucerne
St Gallen v Bellinzona
Sion v Xamax
Young Boys v Grasshoppers
Zurich v Nordstern
November 15 (May 16):
Bellinzona v Chiasso
Grasshoppers v Xamax
Lausanne v Zurich
Lucerne v Basel
Nordstern v St Gallen
Servette v Sion
Young Boys v Chenois
November 23 (May 23):
Basel v Bellinzona
Chenois v Grasshoppers
Chiasso v Nordstern
Xamax v Servette
St Gallen v Lausanne
Sion v Lucerne
Zurich v Young Boys
December 7 (June 13):
Bellinzona v Sion
Chenois v Zurich
Grasshoppers v Servette
Lausanne v Chiasso
Lucerne v Xamax
Nordstern v Basel
Young Boys v St Gallen
December 13 (June 23). — Vacant date to play any matches postponed because of bad weather or other reasons.

Swiss Cup dates. — Sept. 27/28, 4th rnd. (includes Nationalliga A clubs). Nov. 8/9, 5th rnd. Nov. 30, quarter finals. Apr. 20 (Easter Monday), semi-finals. June 8, final.

Swiss Lge. Cup. — Aug. 16/17, 1st rnd. Nov. 1/2, 2nd rnd. Mar. 28/29, quarter finals. Apr. 20, semi-finals. May 12 and 26, two-leg final.

FRANCE

Season started July 24
August 26:
Strasbourg v Monaco
P.S.G. v Metz
Auxerre v St-Etienne
Bordeaux v Tours
Nice v Nimes
Nancy v Sochaux
Lyon v Lens
Bastia v Nantes
Angers v Laval
Lille v U.S.V.A.
August 29:
Sochaux v Lyon
Nimes v Nancy
Tours v Nice
Bordeaux v Angers
Monaco v U.S.V.A.
Metz v Auxerre
St-Etienne v Lille
Laval v Strasbourg
Nantes v P.S.G.
Lens v Bastia
September 9:
Strasbourg v Sochaux
P.S.G. v Nimes
Auxerre v Monaco
U.S.V.A. v Metz
Nice v Bordeaux
Nancy v Tours
Lyon v St-Etienne
Bastia v Laval
Angers v Nantes
Lille v Lens
September 12:
Sochaux v Angers
Nimes v Bastia
Tours v Lyon
Bordeaux v Nancy
Nice v P.S.G.
Metz v Monaco
St-Etienne v U.S.V.A.
Laval v Auxerre
Nantes v Lille
Lens v Strasbourg
September 23:
Strasbourg v Nantes
P.S.G. v Laval
Auxerre v Sochaux
U.S.V.A. v Nimes
Monaco v St-Etienne
Nancy v Nice
Lyon v Bordeaux
Bastia v Tours
Angers v Lens
Lille v Metz
September 26:
Sochaux v P.S.G.
Nimes v Strasbourg
Tours v Angers
Bordeaux v Bastia
Nice v Lille
Nancy v Lyon
St-Etienne v Metz
Laval v Monaco
Nantes v U.S.V.A.
Lens v Auxerre
October 4:
Strasbourg v Tours
P.S.G. v St-Etienne
Auxerre v Nantes
U.S.V.A. v Lens
Monaco v Sochaux
Metz v Laval
Lyon v Nice
Bastia v Nancy
Angers v Nimes
Lille v Bordeaux
October 14:
Sochaux v U.S.V.A.
Nimes v Auxerre
Tours v P.S.G.
Bordeaux v Strasbourg
Nice v Bastia
Nancy v Lille
Lyon v Angers
Laval v St-Etienne
Nantes v Metz
Lens v Monaco
October 17:
Strasbourg v Nice
P.S.G. v Bordeaux
Auxerre v Tours
U.S.V.A. v Laval
Monaco v Nantes
Metz v Lens
St-Etienne v Sochaux
Bastia v Lyon
Angers v Nancy
Lille v Nimes
October 31:
Sochaux v Metz
Nimes v Monaco
Tours v U.S.V.A.
Bordeaux v Auxerre
Nice v Angers
Nancy v Strasbourg
Lyon v Lille
Bastia v P.S.G.
Nantes v Laval
Lens v St-Etienne
November 8:
Strasbourg v Lyon
P.S.G. v Nancy
Auxerre v Nice
U.S.V.A. v Bordeaux
Monaco v Tours
Metz v Nimes
St-Etienne v Nantes
Laval v Lens
Angers v Bastia
Lille v Sochaux
November 12:
Sochaux v Laval
Nimes v St-Etienne
Tours v Metz
Bordeaux v Monaco
Nice v U.S.V.A.
Nancy v Auxerre

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Lyon v P.S.G.
Bastia v Strasbourg
Angers v Lille
Lens v Nantes
November 22:
Strasbourg v Angers
P.S.G. v Lens
Auxerre v Lyon
U.S.V.A. v Nancy
Monaco v Nice
Metz v Bordeaux
St-Etienne v Tours
Laval v Nimes
Nantes v Sochaux
Lille v Bastia
November 29:
Strasbourg v P.S.G.
Nimes v Lens
Tours v Sochaux
Bordeaux v Nantes
Nice v St-Etienne
Nancy v Laval
Lyon v Metz
Bastia v U.S.V.A.
Angers v Auxerre
Lille v Monaco
December 6:
Sochaux v Nimes
P.S.G. v Lille
Auxerre v Strasbourg
U.S.V.A v Angers
Monaco v Lyon
Metz v Nancy
St-Etienne v Bastia
Laval v Bordeaux
Nantes v Nice
Lens v Tours
December 14:
Strasbourg v U.S.V.A.
P.S.G. v Auxerre
Tours v Nantes
Bordeaux v Sochaux
Nice v Lens
Nancy v St-Etienne
Lyon v Nimes
Bastia v Metz
Angers v Monaco
Lille v Laval
December 21:
Sochaux v Nimes
Nimes v Tours
Auxerre v Lille
U.S.V.A. v P.S.G.
Monaco v Bastia
Metz v Angers
St-Etienne v Strasbourg
Laval v Lyon
Nantes v Nancy
Lens v Bordeaux
January 25:
Strasbourg v Metz
P.S.G. v Monaco
Auxerre v U.S.V.A.
Bordeaux v Nimes
Nice v Laval
Nancy v Lens
Lyon v Nantes
Bastia v Sochaux
Angers v St-Etienne
Lille v Tours
February 1:
Sochaux v Nancy
Nimes v Nice
Tours v Bordeaux
U.S.V.A. v Lille
Monaco v Strasbourg
Metz v P.S.G.
St-Etienne v Auxerre
Laval v Angers
Nantes v Bastia
Lens v Lyon
February 8:
Strasbourg v Laval
P.S.G. v Nantes
Auxerre v Metz
U.S.V.A. v Monaco
Nice v Tours
Nancy v Nimes
Lyon v Sochaux
Bastia v Lens
Angers v Bordeaux
Lille v St-Etienne
February 22:
Sochaux v Strasbourg
Nimes v P.S.G.
Tours v Nancy
Bordeaux v Nice
Monaco v Auxerre
Metz v U.S.V.A.
St-Etienne v Lyon
Laval v Bastia
Nantes v Angers
Lens v Lille
February 28:
Strasbourg v Lens
P.S.G. v Nice
Auxerre v Laval
U.S.V.A. v St-Etienne
Monaco v Metz
Nancy v Bordeaux
Lyon v Tours
Bastia v Nimes
Angers v Sochaux
Lille v Nantes
March 14:
Sochaux v Auxerre
Nimes v U.S.V.A.
Tours v Bastia
Bordeaux v Lyon
Nice v Nancy
Metz v Lille
St-Etienne v Monaco
Laval v P.S.G.
Nantes v Strasbourg
Lens v Angers
March 28:
Strasbourg v Nimes
P.S.G. v Sochaux
Auxerre v Lens
U.S.V.A. v Nantes
Monaco v Laval
Metz v St-Etienne
Lyon v Nancy
Bastia v Bordeaux
Angers v Tours
Lille v Nice
April 7:
Sochaux v Monaco
Nimes v Angers
Tours v Strasbourg
Bordeaux v Lille
Nice v Lyon
Nancy v Bastia
St-Etienne v P.S.G.
Laval v Metz
Nantes v Auxerre
Lens v U.S.V.A
April 15:
Strasbourg v Bordeaux
P.S.G. v Tours
Auxerre v Nimes
U.S.V.A. v Sochaux
Monaco v Lens
Metz v Nantes
St-Etienne v Laval
Bastia v Nice
Angers v Lyon
Lille v Nancy
April 21:
Sochaux v St-Etienne
Nimes v Lille
Tours v Auxerre
Bordeaux v P.S.G.
Nice v Strasbourg
Nancy v Angers
Lyon v Bastia
Laval v U.S.V.A.
Nantes v Monaco
Lens v Metz
May 5:
Strasbourg v Nancy
P.S.G. v Bastia
Auxerre v Bordeaux
U.S.V.A. v Tours
Monaco v Nimes
Metz v Sochaux
St-Etienne v Lens
Laval v Nantes
Angers v Nice
Lille v Lyon
May 15:
Sochaux v Lille
Nimes v Metz
Tours v Monaco
Bordeaux v U.S.V.A.
Nice v Auxerre
Nancy v P.S.G.
Lyon v Strasbourg
Bastia v Angers
Nantes v St-Etienne
Lens v Laval
May 22:
Strasbourg v Bastia
P.S.G. v Lyon
Auxerre v Nancy
U.S.V.A. v Nice
Monaco v Bordeaux
Metz v Tours
St-Etienne v Nimes
Laval v Sochaux
Nantes v Lens
Lille v Angers
May 29:
Sochaux v Nantes
Nimes v Laval
Tours v St-Etienne
Bordeaux v Metz
Nice v Monaco
Nancy v U.S.V.A.
Lyon v Auxerre
Bastia v Lille
Angers v Strasbourg
Lens v P.S.G.
June 2:
Strasbourg v Lille
P.S.G. v Angers
Auxerre v Bastia
U.S.V.A. v Lyon
Monaco v Nancy
Metz v Nice
St-Etienne v Bordeaux
Laval v Tours
Nantes v Nimes
Lens v Sochaux

SPAIN
(Dates in brackets refer to reverse fixtures)
September 7 (January 4):
Osasuna v Las Palmas
Valencia v Real Sociedad
Real Sporting v Betis
Espanol v Hércules
Murcia v Barcelona
Sevilla v Salamanca
Ath. Bilbao v Zaragoza
Almeria v Real Madrid
At. Madrid v Valladolid
September 14 (January 11):
Las Palmas v At. Madrid
Real Sociedad v Osasuna
Betis v Valencia
Hércules v Real Sporting
Barcelona v Espanol
Salamanca v Murcia
Zaragoza v Sevilla
Real Madrid v Ath. Bilbao
Valladolid v Almeria
September 21 (January 18):
Las Palmas v Real Sociedad
Osasuna v Betis
Valencia v Hércules
Real Sporting v Barcelona
Espanol v Salamanca
Murcia v Zaragoza
Sevilla v Real Madrid
Ath. Bilbao v Valladolid
At. Madrid v Almeria
September 28 (January 25):
Real Sociedad v At. Madrid
Betis v Las Palmas
Hércules v Osasuna
Barcelona v Valencia
Salamanca v Real Sporting
Zaragoza v Espanol
Real Madrid v Murcia
Valladolid v Sevilla
Almeria v Ath. Bilbao
October 5 (February 1):
Real Sociedad v Betis
Las Palmas v Hércules
Osasuna v Barcelona
Valencia v Salamanca
Real Sporting v Zaragoza
Espanol v Real Madrid
Murcia v Valladolid
Sevilla v Almeria
At. Madrid v Ath. Bilbao
October 12 (February 8):
Betis v At. Madrid
Hércules v Real Sociedad
Barcelona v Las Palmas
Salamanca v Osasuna
Zaragoza v Valencia
Real Madrid v Real Sporting
Valladolid v Espanol
Almeria v Murcia
Ath. Bilbao v Sevilla
October 19 (February 15):
Betis v Hércules
Real Sociedad v Barcelona
Las Palmas v Salamanca
Osasuna v Zaragoza
Valencia v Real Madrid
Real Sporting v Valladolid
Espanol v Almeria
Murcia v Ath. Bilbao
At. Madrid v Sevilla
October 26 (February 22):
Hércules v At. Madrid
Barcelona v Betis
Salamanca v Real Sociedad
Real Zaragoza v Las Palmas
Real Madrid v Osasuna
Valladolid v Valencia
Almeria v Real Sporting
Ath. Bilbao v Espanol
Sevilla v Murcia
November 2 (March 1):
Hércules v Barcelona
Betis v Salamanca
Real Sociedad v Zaragoza
Las Palmas v Real Madrid
Osasuna v Valladolid
Valencia v Almeria
Real Sporting v Ath. Bilbao
Espanol v Sevilla
At. Madrid v Murcia.
November 9 (March 8):
Barcelona v At. Madrid
Salamanca v Hércules
Real Zaragoza v Betis
Real Madrid v Real Sociedad
Valladolid v Las Palmas
Almeria v Osasuna
Ath. Bilbao v Valencia
Sevilla v Real Sporting
Murcia v Espanol
November 16 (March 15):
Barcelona v Salamanca
Hércules v Zaragoza
Betis v Real Madrid
Real Sociedad v Valladolid
Las Palmas v Almeria
Osasuna v Ath. Bilbao
Valencia v Sevilla
Real Sporting v Murcia
At. Madrid v Espanol
November 23 (March 22):
Salamanca v At. Madrid
Real Zaragoza v Barcelona
Real Madrid v Hércules
Valladolid v Betis
Almeria v Real Sociedad
Ath. Bilbao v Las Palmas
Sevilla v Osasuna
Murcia v Valencia
Espanol v Real Sporting
November 30 (March 29):
Salamanca v Real Zaragoza
Barcelona v Real Madrid
Hércules v Valladolid
Betis v Almeria
Real Sociedad v Ath. Bilbao
Las Palmas v Sevilla
Osasuna v Murcia
Valencia v Espanol
At. Madrid v Real Sporting

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December 7 (April 5):
Zaragoza v At. Madrid
Real Madrid v Salamanca
Valladolid v Barcelona
Almeria v Hércules
Ath. Bilbao v Betis
Sevilla v Real Sociedad
Murcia v Las Palmas
Espanol v Osasuna
Real Sporting v Valencia

December 14 (April 12):
Zaragoza v Real Madrid
Salamanca v Valladolid
Barcelona v Almeria
Hércules v Ath. Bilbao
Betis v Sevilla
Real Sociedad v Murcia
Las Palmas v Espanol
Osasuna v Real Sporting
At. Madrid v Valencia

December 21 (April 19):
At. Madrid v Real Madrid
Valladolid v Zaragoza
Almeria v Salamanca
Ath. Bilbao v Barcelona
Sevilla v Hércules
Murcia v Betis
Espanol v Real Sociedad
Real Sporting v Las Palmas
Valencia v Osasuna

December 28 (April 26):
Real Madrid v Valladolid
Zaragoza v Almeria
Salamanca v Ath. Bilbao
Barcelona v Sevilla
Hércules v Murcia
Betis v Espanol
Real Sociedad v Real Sporting
Las Palmas v Valencia
Osasuna v At. Madrid

Asian memories

IT is 14 long years since North Korea stunned the soccer world by becoming the first Asian country to enter the last eight in the World Cup finals, writes Godfrey Roberts.

But for Asian soccer administration and performers, the feat is yet to be a memory as they still talk about it.

That success lingers on. The drama that followed — the Koreans bowing out 5-3 after taking a 3-0 lead over Portugal in the quarter-finals — is another chapter in the Asian and World soccer annals.

The real reason for Asians to rave still over that achievement is because they have no other major success to boast of.

Since then Asian teams have stamped little or no impact in either the Olympic Games or the World Cups.

The wheel of fortune is expected to take a full spin again and smile on some Asian countries who have in the last three years generated so much interest and put so much thought in their future plans for the sport in the coming decade.

The stress is on youth — the grassroots as they clamour — so the results will not be immediate.

But at least they are beginning to see a light appearing far on the horizon.

For the remaining months of this year, Asian teams will be involved in several major competitions such as: President's Cup in Seoul from August 23 to September 4, Merdeka tournament in Kuala Lumpur from October 15 to November 2, King's Cup in Bangkok in November and the World Cup qualifying round in Hong Kong in December.

But the "Future Stars parade" in the Asian Youth (for under-19s) in Manila in November and the Lion City Cup (for under-16s) in Singapore from August 23 to September 5, draws bigger and wider interest.

Countries taking part in the Lion City Cup are Indonesia (two teams), Singapore (two teams), Thailand, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Iraq, South Korea, Brunei and China.

For the youth competition in Manila, all Asian countries affiliated to the Asian Football Confederation are expected to compete.

The keen competition and high standard in the recent Asian Under-20 tournament in Kuala Lumpur speak well for the future of soccer in the region.

Thailand and Malaysia, who were involved in a free-for-all in a preliminary round match, shared the title.

The welcome feature from this tournament was the rude awakening by Philippines team, who finished down the cellar with four straight defeats.

Their manager Bruce Florentino disclosed after the tournament that they would be back revitalised — the shot of adrenalin to be administered by the country's president, Mr. Ferdinand Marcos, who wanted the football association to embark on an ambitious five-year development programme that will make the country a big soccer force by the end of the decade.

Japan, stung by their poor performance in the Olympic qualifying tournament in Kuala Lumpur in April, have imposed a 25-year age limit for players in their national team.

And their clubs, such as Hitachi, have embarked on important tours in the Far East region.

Malaysia, boosted by their success in the Olympic qualifying tournament, are currently touring Europe and Brazil.

But all is not rosy with the Hong Kong soccer scene. Their season of shame ended on a sour note as it began.

As journalist Rodney Hobson put it: "It kicked off with an accountant prosecuted for embezzlement and complaints of incompetence of administrators, refreshed itself at half-time with allegations of match fixing and more complaints of administrators' incompetence, and blew full-time with a debacle for the national side and yet more complaints against the erring administrators."

But the British Colony hope to pick up the pieces in the next few weeks before they stage the World Cup qualifying matches in December — the appointment of British soccer professional Peter McFarland and their tour of China are steps in the right direction.

The results of the Asian Under-20 soccer tournament are as follows:

Singapore 2 Philippines 1, Thailand 4 Indonesia 0, Malaysia 1 Indonesia 2, Singapore 0 Thailand 2, Malaysia 10 Philippines 0, Malaysia 0 Thailand 1, Indonesia 2 Philippines 1, Singapore 2 Indonesia 0, Malaysia 1 Singapore 0, Thailand 2 Philippines 0. Final Thailand 1 Malaysia 1 (joint champions).

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Thailand	4	4	0	0	9	0	8
Malaysia	4	2	0	2	12	3	4
Singapore	4	2	0	2	4	4	4
Indonesia	4	2	0	2	4	8	4
Philippines	4	0	0	4	2	16	0

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kick. Belgium would go on to win 2-1, but Van Moer wasn't in the ground to share the celebrations.

Moments before half-time he was the victim of an appallingly badly-timed tackle from Mario Bertini. The Italian said later that there was no malice involved; but the Belgians and most neutrals weren't happy.

Eight years later, in Rome in June 1980, the haunting memories of the game in which Van Moer broke his leg in four places had still to be exorcised.

The 1972 incident wasn't Van Moer's last break. And in 1974 Standard, deciding that this man would never be fully fit again, sold him off for peanuts to Beringen. For Van Moer the move was ideal. He'd bought a bar and training discipline was far easier than at Standard. He trained a little each day and worked in the 'shop' at lunch-time and in the evenings.

If it hadn't been for Guy Thys then, Van Moer would still be with Beringen now, preparing for his last season.

But Van Moer's recall brought far more than a place in the national team; it also bought a transfer back to the lively Beveren club; and it reawakened his interest in playing on beyond 1981.

"I don't even know now whether the final against West Germany will be my last international, as everyone was forecasting," said Van Moer. "This move to Beveren has altered my views on a lot of things. Next season won't be a matter of trying to stay up. Quite the opposite. Beveren have ambition. If they do well I might well keep on playing. You never know in this game . . ."

Don't be surprised in Van Moer plays on. He's a born optimist.

Listen to him talking about his leg fractures: "You'd think four breaks would be too much. That I'd throw the game in. But that's not my style. Yes, it does get lonely, all the running on your own trying to get the leg working, and then to get fully fit. But it's worth it.

"I'd go through the same if I were to break my leg again. In fact, perhaps I've got my fractures to thank for the fact that I'm still playing. I've had more rest in between injuries than other players get."

This, then, is Wilfried Van Moer. Born on March 1, 1945, winner of 45 caps for Belgium, and a creative inspiration who will be badly missed when he does go back to his bar and cafe.

For the last word, listen to that skilled, beautifully-balanced Italian, Giancarlo Antognoni, who shares a similar scheming role.

"Van Moer," says Antognoni, "hits his passes well and accurately; he has a good vision of play. But, above all, he has the greatest gift all the rest of us are still trying to sort out — experience."

USSR changes in Europe

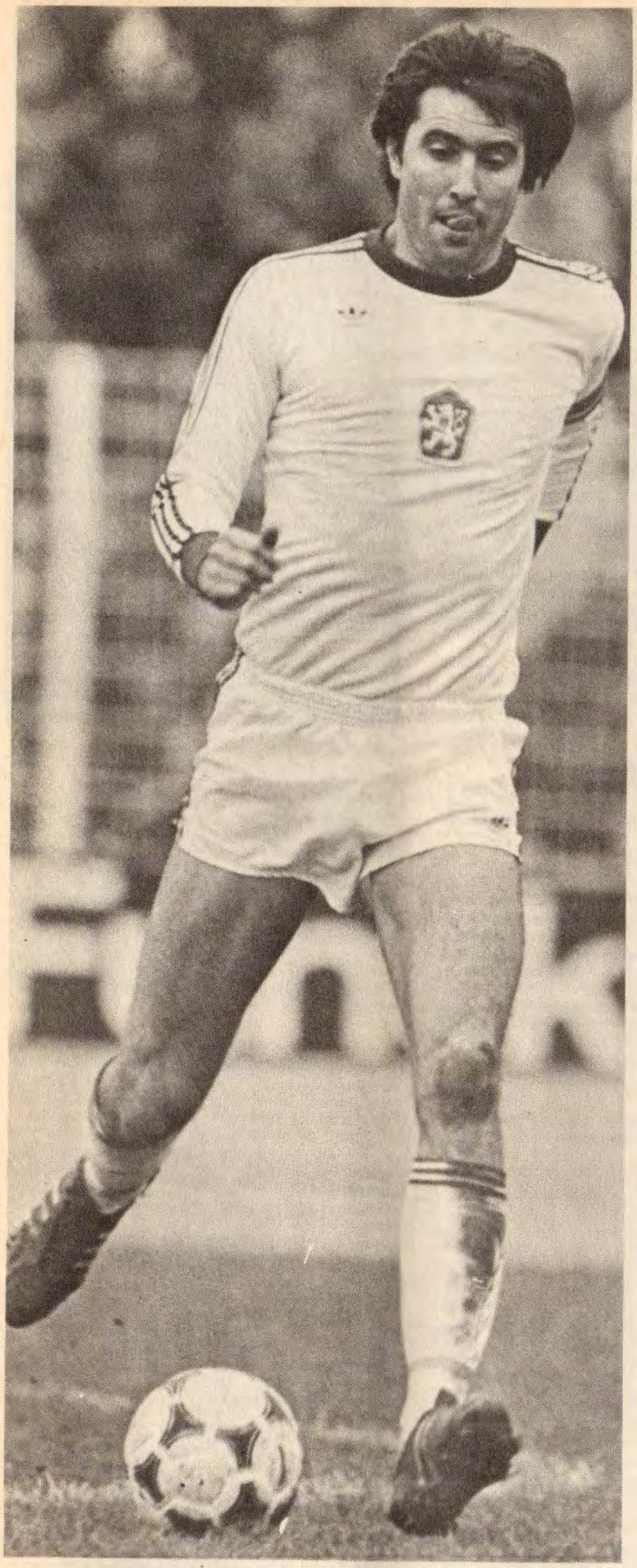
IT'S ALL change as far as the Soviet European contingent is concerned following Shakhtor Donetsk's domestic Cup victory.

Shakhtor defeated holders Dynamo Tbilisi 2-1 in the Lenin Stadium a week after the Olympics had finished. This was Shakhtor's third Cup win in 18 years and made up for their extra-time defeat two years ago.

Their hero was top scorer Vitaly Staroukhin. He scored the first goal in the 24th minute and created the winner six minutes from time for Vladimir Pianikh. Tbilisi's lone goal came from Chilaia in the 48th minute.

The other Shakhtor hero was goalkeeper Victor Chanov, who kept the Tbilisi stars Kipiani and Shengelia at bay in the climactic six minutes of the game.

Shakhtor: Chanov — Varnavski, Gobunov, Simonan, Pianikh, Pudakov, Rogovski (Morozov 64), Skolovsky (Kravchenko 89), Staroukhin, Federenko, Safanov (Maly 86).



Ondrus of Czechoslovakia.

SUMMER OF SCANDALS!

by Slobodan Vasic

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ASCOLI. – Pulici 23 – Anzivino 25, Boldini 29 – Perico 29, Gasparini 30, Scorsa 26 – Torrisi 29, Moro 29, Anastasi 25, Scanziani 27, Bellotto 30. **Reserves:** Trevisanello 13, Iorio 11, Pircher 11, Castoldi 8, L. Muraro 7, Paolucci 4. **Top scorer:** Bellotto 8.

FIORENTINA. – Galli 30 – Lelj 20, Tendi 27 – Galbiati 28, Guerrini 15, Sacchetti 26 – Restelli 25, Orlandini 25, Sella 22, Antognoni 25, Desolati 19. **Reserves:** Pagliari 21, Ferroni 21, Zagano 15, Bruni 14, Di Gennaro 11, Ricciarelli 4, Galdiolo 1, Marchi 1, Bruzzone 1. **Top scorer:** Antognoni 8.

ROMA. – Tancredi 18 – Maggiora 19, De Nadai 26 – Benetti 25, Turone 26, Santarini 24 – B. Conti 28, Di Bartolomei 23, Pruzzo 28, Giovannelli 16, Ancelotti 27. **Reserves:** Rocca 20, Peccenini 15, Amenta 13, P. Conti 12, Ugolotti 10, Spinosi 9, Scarnecchia 2. **Top scorer:** Pruzzo 12.

BOLOGNA. – Zinetti 28 – Sali 29, Spinozzi 22 – Paris 25, Bachlechner 28, Castronaro 22 – Zuccheri 21, Dossena 28, Savoldi 29, Mastropasqua 26, Colombo 25. **Reserves:** Mastalli 14, Chiarugi 13, Fusini 12, Albinelli 9, Petrini 5, Marchini 2, Gamberini 2, Perego 1, M. Rossi 2, Perani I 1, Perani II 1, Bene 1, Fogli 1. **Top scorer:** Savoldi 11.

CAGLIARI. – Corti 30 – Lamagni 26, Longobucco 23 – Casagrande 29, Canestrari 17, Brugnera 25 – Bellini 25, Quagliozzo 12, Selvaggi 30, Marchetti 29, Piras 30. **Reserves:** Osellame 24, Ciampoli 16, Gattelli 14, Roffi 11, Briaschi 7, Dasara 1, Bravi 1, Molis 1. **Top scorer:** Selvaggi 12.

PERUGIA. – Malizia 22 – Nappi 27, Ceccarini 29 – Frosio 29, Della Martira 22. D al Fiume 25 – Goretti 25, Butti 27, Paolo Rossi 28, Casarsa 20, Bagni 25. **Reserves:** Tacconi 22, Calloni 12, De Graldi 12, Zecchini 9, Mancini 9, C. Pin 7, Vittiglio 4, Mingucci 1, Cocciari 1. **Top scorer:** Paolo Rossi 13.

NAPOLI. – Castellini 30 – Bruscolotti 22, Tesser 27 – Bellugi 26, Ferrario 30, Guidetti 21 – Damiani 20, Vinazzani 29, Speggiorin 23, Improta 21, Filippi 26. **Reserves:** Capone 20, Musella 14, Agostinelli 9, Caporale 9, R: Marini 7, Lucido 5, Badiani 4, Celestini 4, Fiore 2, Volpecina 3, V. Marino 2. **Top scorer:** Damiani 4 (!).

AVELLINO. – Piotti 30 – Beruatto 29, Giovanonne 20 – Boscolo 26, Cattaneo 27, Di Somma 26, Piga 27, Valente 20, C. Pellegrini 28, Ferrante 14, De Ponti 28. **Reserves:** Massa 21, Romano 17, S. Pellegrini 13, Tuttino 12, Mazzoni 7, Cordova 5, Pozza 3, Stenta 1, Tolio 1, Carnevale 1. **Top scorer:** De Ponti 6.

LAZIO. – (Relegated in bribes scandal). – Cacciatori 24 – Tassotti 27, Citterio 30 – Wilson 23, Manfredonia 22, Zuccheri 25 – Garlaschelli 23, Montesi 19, Giordano 24, D'Amico 28, Viola 28. **Reserves:** Manzoni 15, Pughin 12, Lopez 7, Perrone 6, Cenci 5, Farretti 5, Nicoli 5, Todesco 5, Budoni 4, Lambonia 3, Pochesci 3, Avagliano 2, Scarsella 2, Campilongo 1, Piccinini 1, Pesce 1. **Top scorer:** Giordano 9.

CA TANZARO (Saved from relegation by Milan's enforced demotion). – Mattolini 25 – Ranieri 28, Zanini 25 – Menichini 27, Groppi 27, Nicolini 29 – Braglia 20, Urazi 28, Chimenti 25, Majo 25, Palanca 29. **Reserves:** Sabadini 19, Borelli 16, Bresciani 15, Marchetti 9, Trapani 6, Mauro 3, Mauro II 2. **Top scorer:** Palanca 8.

UDINESE (Saved from relegation by Lazio's enforced demotion). – E. Galli 20 – Osti 24, Catellani 22 – Leonarduzzi 30, Fellet 29, L. Pin 27 – Vagheggi 16, Del Neri 28, Pianca 15, Vriz 26, Ulivieri 28. **Reserves:** Bressani 17, Fanesi 17, Sgarbossa 15, Cupini 14, Della Corna 9, M. Riva 5, D'Agostini 5, De Bernardi 4, Francesconi 3, Arrigoni 2, Bilardi 1, Borin 1, Macuglia 1. **Top scorer:** Vriz 5.

PESCARA (relegated) – Pinotti 16 – Chinellato 29, Prestanti 29 – Negrisolo 22, E. Pellegrini 27, Ghedin 18 – Repetto 25, Boni 23, Silva 25, Nobili 27, Di Michele 23. **Reserves:** Cinquetti 21, Cerilli 19, Piangerelli 13, Lombardo 16, Cosenza 9, Domenchini 4, Pirri 3, Eusepi 3, Livello 3, Pacchioni 1, Patane 1, Pinarelli 1, Santucci 1. **Top scorer:** Nobili 5.

THE past summer will be remembered as the summer of scandals in many Baltic countries.

In the promotion battle for the 2nd Division four Bulgarian clubs bribed players and officials, but they were discovered and the FA's penalty was to keep them at regional level of competition for the next four years.

As a result of the bribery scandal in Yugoslavia, FC Galenika of Belgrade will be promoted to the 1st Division and all other clubs suspected of bribery will be deprived of two points in the 1980/81 season.

The Yugoslav Olympic team were disappointing in the 1980 Olympic Games in Moscow, with poor results and even poorer form. These facts must make Miljan Miljanić anxious, because the Olympic team is the basic squad for the forthcoming 1982 World Cup qualifying matches.

The Olympic side played against Finland 2-0, Costa Rica 3-2, and Iraq 1-1 in the qualifying group, and in the quarter-final match Yugoslavia defeated Algeria 3-0, but in the semi-final the Slavs lost 0-2 to the Gold Medal winners Czechoslovakia. In the third-place match the Slavs lost to the home-side, USSR, by 0-2.

Miljan Miljanić also has another reason to be anxious because the rest of the players, who are candidates for the national team, spent two weeks touring Yugoslavia playing preparatory matches.

Results and form again proved to be very disappointing. The national team lost many matches to clubs from the 2nd Division and FC Vardar, the 1st Division side, beat the national team by 4-0!

In the Yugoslav Under-18 Championship Red Star were the eventual victors after beating Budućnost Titograd by 2-1 and 0-0 in the two-leg final.

During the summer Yugoslav clubs played friendly matches against foreign clubs and here are the more important results: Dynamo 3 Guadalajara (Mexico) 1; Velez 2 Guadalajara (Mexico) 2; Ruch (Poland) 2 NK Zagreb 1; Wisla 1 Budućnost 0, Maribor 2 Sturm (Austria) 2; Partizan 3 Sporting Lisboa 0; Partizan 1 Benfica (Portugal) 6; Keszhtely (Hungary) 1 NK Rijeka 0.

During July the Balkans' Committee met in Belgrade to discuss the schedule for the 1980-81 season.

National teams will meet in December, 1981 in Romania for the Balkan nations Cup, Under-21 teams will be playing in Greece from June 20 to June 30, 1981, and the Under-18 teams will play in a tournament which will be held in Turkey or Albania next year.

In Belgrade the meeting compiled the schedule for the Balkan Clubs' Cup 1980-81, and formed two groups: Velez/Mostar, Yugoslavia/AEK/Athens, Greece and Fljamutari/Fore, Albania will be in Group "A" and Slavia/Sofia, Bulgaria/Bursaspor/Burs, Turkey/ and Sportul Stundentsce/Bucarest, Romania will be in Group "B". The current holders are Sportul Studentsce from Bucarest. The matches will be played on September 16, October 2, October 23, March 5, March 19 and April 19.

INTERNATIONAL REVIEW

compiled by Keir Radnedge

THIS report combines the full internationals played by European teams in both June and July.

The scene has been reasonably busy, with Poland off to South America to prepare for the World Cup qualifiers, and the usual run of Scandinavian summer internationals.

Here the most surprising feature has been the continued failure of Sweden to organise themselves under new manager Lars Arnesson.

Held at home by Israel in the World Cup, then held again by Iceland in a friendly, the outlook is grim for the Swedes' chances of reaching the World Cup Finals for the fourth time in a row.

Note: **So as not to disturb the continuity of these European Review features, I have included merely the results from the European championship finals. All details for those games, plus reports, were given in the July edition of *World Soccer* and space to repeat them isn't available!**

MAY 31
Sydney — Centenary International
Australia 1 (Cole 85 pen.)
England 2 (Hoddle 9, Mariner 25)
HT: 0-2. **Att**: 30,000.

Australia: Woodhouse — Perry, Prskalo, Muir, Tansey, Ysendorn, Henderson, Rooney, Jankovics, Cole, Boden (Sharne).

England: Corrigan — Cherry, Osman, Butcher, Lampard — Talbot, Hoddle, Robson, Armstrong — Sunderland, Mariner.

The first match to celebrate the Australian association's centenary saw Ron Greenwood fly out with a number of his European championship hopefuls only a matter of weeks before the trek to Italy.

Glenn Hoddle was the star of the show, earning his Europe call-up with a man-of-the-match display which included a brilliant 20-yarder for the first goal after work by Alan Sunderland and Paul Mariner.

When Mariner grabbed a second it looked like a stroll for England, but the Aussies hit back bravely in the second half, thanks in particular to the appearance as substitute of Peter Sharne.

Joe Corrigan was stretched several times before he upended Sharne in front of an open goal, and Gary Cole converted the penalty.

JUNE 3
Reykjavik — World Cup Euro qual. grp. 3
Iceland 0
Wales 4 (Walsh 44, 74, Giles 54, Flynn 60 pen.)
HT: 0-1: **Att**: 13,000. **Ref**: Nyhus (Nor.).

Iceland: Olafsson — Gudjohnsen, Edvaldsson, Gudlaugsson, Thordarsson — Thorbjornsson, Geirsson, Jonsson — Petursson, Haraldsson, Halldorsson.

Wales: Davies — Jones, Flynn, Nicholas, Price, Yorath (Stevenson), Giles, Phillips, Walsh, James, G. Davies.

Wales made their customary bright start to every tournament by inflicting Iceland's biggest home defeat for seven years.

JUNE 4
Helsinki — World Cup Euro qual. grp. 1
Finland 0
Bulgaria 2 (Markov 28, Kostadinov 81)
HT: 0-1. **Att**: 7,800. **Ref**: McGinlay (Scot.).

Finland: Sairanen (Nurmio 8) — Lampi, Tolsa, Houtonen, Ranta — Ronkainen (Ismail 65), Pyykko, Toivola — Rautianen, Hakala, Nieminen.

Bulgaria: Kristov — Zafirov, Kolev, Maldjanski, Karakolev — Dimitrov, Kostadinov, Markov (T. Tsvetkov 87) — Jeliazkov, Kostov, T. Tsvetkov (Iliev 87).

After their brave showing in the European championship, the Finns had expected better than this disappointing defeat. They made only one chance, to the chagrin of coach Esko Malm.

The Bulgarians were pleased with the points, but little else. Manager Atanas Parjelov gambled on the recall of veteran Bojil Kolev to organise his defence, but said afterwards: "We should have played much better."

Plamen Markov scored the first goal after a corner, and Konstantin Kostadinov grabbed the second just when the Finns were hinting at a late recovery.

Budapest
Hungary 1 (Kiss 13)
Austria 1 (Jara 75).
HT: 1-0. **Att**: 20,000. **Ref**: Lattanzi (It.).

Hungary: Meszaros — Paroczai, Balint, Garaba, J. Toth — Pasztor, Kereki, Nyilasi (Soos 75) — Csongradi (Kuti 65), Kiss (Esterhazy 60), Torocsik.

Austria: Koncilia — Pospischil (Pregesbauer 46), Obermayer, Weber, Zuenelli — Hattenberger (Pichler 66), Prohaska (Jurtin 86), Kreuz, Jara — Schachner (Steinkogler 46), Krankl.

Watched by Bobby Moore and several other members of the war-time escape film being shot locally, Hungary and Austria continued the oldest continental rivalry — but without a lot of passion.

Pele — another budding film star — kicked off and the match could have done with more of his contribution. As it was, the best player was Andras Torocsik, whose inch-perfect cross laid on the opening goal for Kiss to head in.

Austria soon showed better organisation, but with Krankl wasting one fine chance it wasn't until 15 minutes from time that Willi Kreuz laid on the equaliser for Kurt Jara. These two, plus Italy-bound Herbert Prohaska, were far more effective in midfield than the Hungarian trio. But in attack Walter Schachner showed none of the menace expected after his goal-happy season.

"The cold and the wind upset us," said Hungary manager Kalman Meszoly, by way of excuse. "Torocsik was certainly our best player."

JUNE 5
Copenhagen

Denmark 3 (Nielsen 68 pen., Arnesen 70, Elkjaer 76)
Norway 1 (Kollshaugen 21)
HT: 0-1. **Att**: 23,000.

Denmark hit back in the second half after being surprised early on by a Stein Kollshaugen goal. A penalty was the turning point. Allan Simonsen went on one of his slaloms through the defence and and after being brought down, it was Benny Nielsen who equalised with the spot kick.

Two minutes later Frank Arnesen put Denmark in front, and Preben Elkjaer grabbed an academic third. The spirit had already gone from the Norwegians.

JUNE 6
Brussels (Heysel)

Belgium 2 (Ceulemans 47, Van der Elst 87)
Romania 1 (Camataru 25)
HT: 0-1. **Att**: 3,500. **Ref**: Baumann (Swz.).

Belgium: Custers (Pfaff 46) — Gerets, Meeuws, L. Millecamps (Martens 57), Renquin (Verheyen) — Cools, Vandereycken, Van Moer — Van der Elst, Dardenne, Ceulemans.

Romania: Iordache — Lica, Munteanu, Sames, Stefanescu — Crisan (Nicolae 68), Ninu, Ionescu — Radacanu, Balaci, Camataru.

Belgian belief in their team's European championship chances was made very clear — there were only 3,500 fans scattered about the Heysel stadium, and star centre-forward Erwin Van den Bergh was absent, getting married!

Romania scored from a first-half counter-attack through Rodion Camataru and it wasn't until the second half that Wilfried Van Moer pulled the Belgians together to grab their seventh successive win.

Jan Ceulemans turned in a Van Moer free kick for the equaliser, and three minutes from time that New York Cosmos' latest signing, François Van der Elst, hit the winner.

It was on the basis of his second-half performance that goalkeeper Jean-Marie Pfaff ousted hitherto first choice Theo Custers from the goalkeeper's job in the European finals.

JUNE 11
Rome — EC gp 1
W. Germany 1
Czechoslovakia 1
Details in July edition.

Naples — EC gp I
Grece 0
Holland 0
Details in July edition.

Sydney
Australia 1 (Sharne)
N. Ireland 2 (C. Nicholl, M. O'Neill)
HT: 0-1. **Att**: 12,000.

Australia: Woodhouse — Perry, Prskalo, Muir, Tansey (Mullan), Henderson, Yserdoorn, Selemides (Boden), Jankovics (Rooney), Cole, Sharne.

N. Ireland: Platt — J. Nicholl, C. Nicholl, J. O'Neill, McClelland, Cassidy (McCreery), Ginney (B. Hamilton), M. O'Neill, Brotherston (Cochrane), Armstrong (Spence), W. Hamilton.

A further game in the Australia centenary celebrations and the first of three internationals against the Aussies being played by the Northern Irish.

JUNE 12
Turin — EC gp II
England 1
Belgium 1
Details in July edition.

Milan — EC gp II
Italy 0
Spain 0
Details in July edition.

JUNE 14
Naples — EC gp I
W. Germany 3
Holland 2
Details in July edition.

Rome — EC gp I
Czechoslovakia 3
Greece 1
Details in July edition.

JUNE 15
Milan — EC gp II
Spain 1
Belgium 2
Details in July edition.

Turin — EC gp II
Italy 1
England 0
Details in July edition.

Rio de Janeiro
Brazil 1 (Nunes 28)
Russia 2 (Cherenkov 32, Andreyev 38).
HT: 1-2. **Att**: 61,526. **Ref**: Arnaldo Cesar Celho (Brz.).

Brazil: Raul — Nelinho, Amaral (Mauro 46), Edinho, Junior — Batista, Toninho Cerezo, Zico — Socrates (Renato 78), Nunes, Ze Sergio (Eder 66).

Russia: Dassayev — Sulakvelidze, Chivadze, Khidiatulin, Romantsev — Bessonov, Cherenkov, Shavlo — Andreyev, Gavrilov (Yevtushenko 75), Shelivadze (Oganesian).

A shock for Brazil and new coach Tele Santana as Russia — or what in fact was the Russian Olympic side — provided a rare home defeat.

Ralf Edstrom back in action for Sweden in their 1-1 draw with Israel.

Afterwards the Brazilians blamed the lack of a real outside-right, a lack of understanding between players and coach, and poor physical fitness. They under-valued the stern preparations of the Russians, getting ready for the Moscow Olympics, and only just coming towards the end of a string of friendly matches.

The vital factor was a penalty miss by Zico in the 27th minute which would have provided the Brazilians with a 2-0 lead. But it was almost appropriate that to 'celebrate' the 30th anniversary of the Maracana stadium, Brazil should lose, remembering that shock defeat in the World Cup final by Uruguay in 1950.

Star striker Socrates was the biggest individual disappointment for the Brazilian fans, who spent much of the second half chanting the name of ex-national boss Mario Zagalo.

JUNE 15
Melbourne
Australia 1 (Sharne 15)
N. Ireland 1 (M. O'Neill 85)
HT: 1-0. **Att**: 10,000.

Australia: Banovic — Prskalo, Yserdoorn, Barnes, Muir, Tansey, Henderson, Rooney, Krncevic, Cole, Sharne.

N. Ireland: Platt — J. Nicholl, C. Nicholl, J. O'Neill, McClelland, Cassidy, M. O'Neill, Finney, McCreery, Brotherston, Armstrong.

It took a late from skipper Martin O'Neill to save the newly-crowned British champions from defeat against the increasingly more confident Aussies.

JUNE 17
Milan — EC gp 1
Czechoslovakia 1
Holland 1
Details in July edition.

Turin — EC gp II
W. Germany 0
Greece 0
Details in July edition.

JUNE 18
Stockholm — WC Euro qual. grp. 6
Sweden 1 (Ramberg 36)
Israel 1 (Damati 79)
HT: 1-0. **Att**: 24,711. **Ref**: Hriviemi (Fin.).

Sweden: Moller — Borg, Gustafsson, Arvidsson Erlandsson — Holmgren, Ramberg (Nilsson 65), Sjoberg — Nordgren, Backe, Edstroem.

Israel: Mizrahi — Machness, Bar, Shum, J. Cohen — Turk (Ekhois 32), Spiegel (Fogel 89), A. Cohen — Gariani, Peretz, Damati.

A close-range shot from Sten-Ove Ramberg put the Swedes in command in the first half. But they never looked secure. Edstroem, Arvidsson and Backe all missed chances and after the best Swede, Ramberg, had been forced off by injury, Jack Mansell's Israelis took the hint to put on pressure.

Gideon Damati's goal was their reward. Yet another disappointment for Sweden's struggling manager, Lars Arnesson.

Naples — EC gp II
England 2
Spain 1
Details in July Edition.

Rome — EC gp II
Italy 0
Belgium 0
Details in July edition.

Adelaide
Australia 1 (Sharne)
N. Ireland 2 (Brotherston, McCurdy)
HT: 1-0. **Att**: 11,000.

Australia: Crook — Perry, Tansey, Henderson, Prskalo, Sharne, Krncevic, Rooney, Boden, Ysendoorn, Muir.

N. Ireland: Platt — J. Nicholl, C. Nicholl, J. O'Neill, McClelland, Cassidy (B. Hamilton), M. O'Neill, Cochrane, Armstrong, W. Hamilton (McCurdy), Brotherston.

JUNE 21
Naples — EC 3rd place
Italy 0
Czechoslovakia 0
Czechoslovakia won 9-8 on pens.
Details in July edition.

JUNE 22
Rome — EC Final
W. Germany 2
Belgium 1
Details in July edition.

JUNE 23
Warsaw
Poland 3 (Kmiecik 12, Lato 27, Iwan 62)
Iraq 0
HT: 2-0. **Att**: 8,000.

JUNE 29
Sao Paulo (Morumbi)
Brazil 1 (Zico 52)
Poland 1 (Lato 7)
HT: 0-1. **Att**: 98,513. **Ref**: Arppi Filho (Brz.).

Brazil: Carlos — Nelinho, Mauro, Amaral, Junior — Batista, Zico, Socrates (Eder) — Paulo Isidoro (Renato), Serginho, Ze Sergio.

Poland: Mowlik — Dziuba, Szymanowski, Barczak, Janas — Nawalka, (Miloszewicz), Lipka (Sybis), Lato — Skrobowski, Kmiecik (Milczarski), Terlecki.

Zico went some way towards making amends for his penalty miss against Russia by scoring Brazil's second-half equaliser and looking the best player on the field. This was the first game of the Poles' South American tour, as manager Ryszard Kulesza continued his rebuilding for the autumn and the World Cup qualifiers.

JULY 2
Santa Cruz (Bol.)
Bolivia 0
Poland 1 (Iwan 79).
HT: 0-0. **Att**: 16,000.

The Poles impressed with their speed and fitness and but for a sturdy rearguard action by the Bolivians could have had the game tied up much earlier.

JULY 9
Bogota
Colombia 1
Poland 4
HT: 0-4.

JULY 12
Moscow
Russia 2 (Cherenkov 58, Gazzayev 76)
Denmark 0
HT: 0-0. **Att**: 45,000. **Ref**: Zonchev (Bul.).

Russia: Dassayev — Sulakvelidze, Baltacha, Khidiatulin, Romentsev — Shavlo (Oganessian 76), Andreyev, Bessonov — Gavrilov (Chelevadze 76), Cherenkov (Prokopenko 72), Gazzayev.

Denmark: Kjaer — Rasmussen, Andersen, Roentved, F. Olsen, Bertelsen, Norregaard (Schaeffer 46), Sander, E. Olsen, Bastrup, Berggren (Jakobsen 65).

Russia got the 'feel' of the refurbished Lenin stadium where they would play several of their Olympic matches, in winning style after the Danes battled bravely to keep them out in the first half.

Without their exiled professionals the Danes were lucky in the end not to lose by about five or six. That they managed to keep the score to reasonable proportions was due to the experience and command of veteran Per Roentved.

JULY 15
Oslo
Norway 3 (Kollshaugen 37, Jacobsen 65, Erlandsen 86)
Iceland 1 (Thorleifsson 89)
HT: 1-0. **Att**: 5,000.

JULY 17
Halmstad
Sweden 1 (Backe 80)
Iceland 1 (Torbjoernsson 88)
HT: 0-0. **Att**: 10,700.

"We were appalling," said Lars Arnesson as Sweden hit rock bottom, failing even to record a win over Icelanders who had gone to Halmstad hoping for a one- or two-goal defeat!

It took most of the match before Rutger Backe beat Bjarn Olafsson, the Iceland goalkeeper who plays his football in Sweden for IFK Gothenburg.

The most dangerous player on the pitch was Iceland's Ausgeir Sigurvinsson, from Standard Liege, who kept Sweden's latest goalkeeper, Thomas Wernersson, on his toes. Iceland were well worth Gudmundur Thorbjoernsson's equaliser, even if it followed a ridiculous mix-up in the Swedish defence.

Iceland's new national coach, Helgi Danielsson, was well pleased.

OTHER MATCHES: **June 1** (Como): Italy 4 (Graziani 13, 83, Antognoni 77, Bettega 81), Hungary B 1 (Varga 66 pen.). **June 3** (Graz): Graz AK 1, Holland 5 (R. Van der Kerkhof, Kist 3, Vreijssen); (Wnr Neustadt): Austria U21 1 (Fuerst 55), Hungary U21 2 (Schmidt 15, Csepregi 52); (Munich, att. 77,850; Sepp Maier testimonial): Bayern Munich 1 (Breitner 37 pen.), W. Germany 3 (Hrubesch 42, Briegel 51, H. Müller 60). **June 4** (Pietersaari): Finland U21 0, Bulgaria U21 1. **June 7** (Udine): Udinese 0, Holland 4 (Haan 5, Kist 44, 65, Vreijssen 74). **July 18** (Toulouse, tmt semi-final): Toulouse 1 (Albert 65), Romania 1(Multescu 19), Romania 3-2 pens. **July 20** (Toulouse, tmt final): Saint-Etienne 2 (Zimako 17, Roussey 71), Romania 1 (Ionescu 39).

CUP OF THE ALPS (not to be confused with spurious copy-cat competitions held this summer involving Italian, Belgian and Austrian clubs). Final group tables:

Group A	P	W	D	L	F	A	Bns	Pts
Nimes	4	4	0	0	12	4	1	9
Monaco	4	2	1	1	9	1	2	7
Lausanne	4	1	0	3	3	3	0	2
Chiasso	4	0	1	3	2	8	0	1

Group B	P	W	D	L	F	A	Bns	Pts
Bordeaux	4	3	1	0	10	4	1	8
Angers	4	2	2	0	8	4	1	7
Nordstern	4	0	2	2	6	8	0	2
Chenois	4	0	1	3	2	10	0	1

Final: Nimes v Bordeaux (to be arranged).

LEAGUE TABLES

ITALY
FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Internazionale	30	9	5	1	30	15	5	8	2	14	10	41
Juventus	30	10	4	1	24	6	6	2	7	18	19	38
Milan	30	9	3	3	21	8	5	5	5	13	11	36
Torino	30	5	8	2	12	7	6	5	4	14	8	35
Ascoli	30	8	6	1	21	8	3	6	6	14	20	34
Fiorentina	30	7	7	1	20	8	4	4	7	13	19	33
Roma	30	6	7	2	18	11	4	5	6	16	24	32
Bologna	30	5	6	4	15	12	3	8	4	8	12	30
Cagliari	30	7	6	2	17	12	1	8	6	10	17	30
Perugia	30	7	6	2	14	8	2	6	7	13	24	30
Napoli	30	5	7	3	14	9	2	7	6	6	11	28
Avellino	30	5	6	4	15	14	2	6	7	9	18	27
Lazio	30	5	6	4	14	11	0	9	6	7	14	25
Catanzaro	30	4	8	3	12	12	1	6	8	8	21	24
Udinese	30	3	6	6	15	19	0	9	6	9	19	21
Pescara	30	4	6	5	14	16	0	2	13	4	28	16

ARGENTINA
First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
River Plate	30	16	10	4	52	25	42
Talleres Cordoba	30	11	14	5	48	34	36
Huracan	29	11	12	6	52	36	34
Argentinos Jnr.	29	11	12	6	41	36	34
Platense	30	11	12	7	26	24	34
Union Sta Fe	29	13	5	9	37	33	31
Newell's Old Boys	29	10	11	8	46	28	31
Boca Juniors	30	10	11	9	38	44	31
Rosario Central	29	10	10	9	35	31	30
FC Oeste	29	9	11	9	43	40	29
Estud. de La Plata	29	8	13	8	28	33	29
Colon Sta Fe	29	10	8	11	32	39	28
Racing Club	30	7	14	9	27	31	28
Independiente	30	9	10	11	40	45	28
Velez Sarsfield	29	8	10	11	24	34	26
San Lorenzo	29	6	13	10	30	36	25
Quilmes	29	3	16	10	28	38	22
Tigre	30	5	11	14	32	50	21
All Boys	29	3	13	13	21	43	19

Top scorers: 20 — Maradona (Argentinos Juniors); 18 — Sanabria (Huracan); 14 — Apariente (FC Oeste), Bravo (Talleres).

COLOMBIA
Opening Championship
(Final Standings)
(Top two — Cali and Junior — qualify for final play-off)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Deportivo Cali	26	13	9	4	45	28	35
Atletico Junior	26	13	11	3	35	15	35
Caldas	26	13	8	5	33	21	34
Pereira	26	10	11	5	28	20	31
Quindio	26	9	9	8	24	24	27
America de Cali	26	9	8	9	37	33	26
Millionarios	26	9	8	9	42	37	26
Nacional	26	8	10	8	33	34	26
Indep. Santa Fe	26	8	10	8	34	36	26
Union Magdalena	26	8	8	10	25	36	24
Medellin	26	6	10	10	30	31	22
Tolima	26	4	11	11	25	41	19
Bucaramanga	26	5	8	13	31	46	18
Cucuta	26	3	9	14	21	39	15

URUGUAY: First Division

After 15 matches (of 26): 1. Nacional 26 pts; 2. Bella Vista, Wanderers 18; 4. Danubio, Peñarol, Defensor 16; 7. Cerro 15; 8. Sud America, Miramar, Progreso, Huracan Buceo, Fenix 13; 13. River Plate 12; 14. Rentistas 8.

PARAGUAY: First Division

After 12 matches: 1. Libertad 17 pts; 2. Cerro Porteno 16; 3. Luqueño, Guarani 14; 5. Olimpia 13; 6. River Plate, Nacional 11; 8. Sol de America 10; 9. Tembetary 9; Rubio Nu 5.

ECUADOR: Division A

After 16 matches: 1. Universidad Catolica (Quito) 21 pts; 2. Emelec, Barcelona (Guayaquil), Tecnico Universitario (Ambato) 17; 5. America (Quito) 16; 6. Liga Deportiva Universitaria (Quito), Nacional (Quito), Everest (Guayaquil), Manta 15; 10. Deportivo Cuenoa 12.

CHILE
First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cobreloa (1)	14	9	4	1	27	13	23
Univ. de Chile (1)	14	9	4	1	19	6	23
O'Higgins	14	7	4	3	21	14	18
Concepción	14	5	6	3	30	25	16
Univ. Catolica	14	6	3	5	22	20	15
Everton	14	6	3	5	24	25	15
Coquimbo	14	4	7	3	15	15	15
Colo Colo (1)	14	5	4	5	31	22	14
Union Espanola	14	4	6	4	23	19	14
Naval	14	5	4	5	16	14	14
Magallanes	14	4	6	4	11	17	14
Lota Schwager	14	5	3	6	18	19	13
Palestino	14	5	3	6	19	18	13
Iquique (2)	14	3	5	6	18	23	13
Aviacion	14	2	7	5	14	24	11
Audax Italiano	14	3	4	7	19	24	10
Green Cross	14	2	4	8	11	27	8
Wanderers	14	0	7	7	12	24	7

(Bonus points obtained in pre-season tournament in brackets)

PERU
(National Championship)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sporting Cristal	14	9	5	0	28	11	23
Atletico Torino	14	8	4	2	27	13	20
Asoc. Deportiva T.	14	6	6	2	17	16	18
Alfonso Ugarte	14	6	5	3	24	16	17
Deportivo M'cipal	14	6	4	4	26	20	16
Universitario	14	3	9	2	24	18	15
Atletico Chalaco	14	4	6	3	13	13	14
Alianza Lima	13	4	5	4	16	10	13
Union Huaral	14	5	3	6	16	22	13
Col. Nac. Iquitos	14	3	7	4	16	26	13
Sport Boys	13	4	4	5	17	15	12
Deportivo Junin	14	4	4	6	17	21	12
Colonel Bolognesi	14	4	2	8	15	18	10
Juventud La Palma	14	3	4	7	11	23	10
Melgar	14	2	4	8	9	22	8
Juan Aurich	14	1	6	7	6	21	8

WORLD CUP
Central American Group
July 2

PANAMA 0
GUATEMALA (1) 2 (Gomez, Mitrovich)

INTERNATIONALS
June 29

BRAZIL (0) 1 (Zico)
POLAND (1) 1 (Lato)

Brazil: Carlos, Nelinho, Mauro, Amaral, Junior, Batista, Cereso, Socrates (Eder), Paulo Isidoro (Renato), Serginho, Ze Sergio.

Poland: Mowlik, Dzuba, Szymanowsky, Janas, Barczok, Lipka (Zypz), Nawalka (Szyolek), Kaimcic (Mikloszewski), Lato, Skorobsky, Terlecki. Referee — Romualdo Arpi Filho, Brazil.

July 2

BOLIVIA 0
POLAND (0) 1 (Iwan)

SOUTH AMERICAN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
Libertadores Cup
Semi final group 1
June 25

INTERNACIONAL (Brazil) (1) 3 (Adilson 3)
VELEZ SARSFIELD (Argentina) (0) 1 (Lanao)

Internacional: Gasperin, Toninho, Mauro Pastor, Mauro Galvao, Claudio Mineiro, Tonho, Batista, Cleo, Jair, Adilson, Mario Sergio.

Velez Sarsfield: Falcioni, Gonzalez, Piazza, Jorge, Bujedo, Quinteros, Larraquy, Rotondi (Mehemmed), Castro, Da Fonseca (Lanao), Ischia. Referee — Cesar Orozco (Peru).

July 2

AMERICA (Colombia) 0
INTERNACIONAL (Brazil) 0

America: Mazurkievicz, H. Valencia, Pascuttini, Gaviria, Chaparro, G. Gonzalez (Penagos), Caicedo (Canon), Bataglia, Caceres, Lugo, Ferrin.

Internacional: Gasperin (Benitez), Toninho, Mauro Pastor, Mauro Galvao, Andre, Cleo (Beretta), Batista, Tonho, Jair, Adilson, Mauro Sergio. Referee — Carlos Montalva. Att: 46,000.

July 11

INTERNACIONAL (Brazil) 0
AMERICA (Colombia) 0

Internacional: Gasperin, Toninho, Mauro Pastor, Mauro Galvao, Beretta, Batista, Tonho, Falcao, Jair, Cleo, Mario Sergio.

America: Mazurkiewicz, Valencia, Pascuttini, Reyes, Chaparro, Caicedo, Canon, Gonzalez (Penagos), Bataglia, Caceras, Lugo. Referee — Ramon Barreto, Uruguay. Att: 30,000.

July 16

VELEZ SARSFIELD (Argentina) 0
AMERICA (Colombia) 0

Velez Sarsfield: Falcioni, Asad, Piazza, Ruiz, Bujedo, Quinteros, Larraquy, Rotondi, Perez Castillo, Sanabria, Lanao.

America: Muzurkiewicz, Valencia, Pascuttini, Reyes, Chaparro, Caicedo, Gonzalez, Caviglia, Batalla, Caceres, Lugo. Referee — Edison Perez, Peru.

Semi final group 1 final standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
INTERNACIONAL (Braz.)	4	2	2	0	4	1	6
America (Colombia)	4	0	4	0	0	0	4
Velez Sarsfield (Agtn.)	4	0	2	2	1	4	2

Semi final group 2
July 2

NACIONAL (Uruguay) (0) 1 (De la Peña)
OLIMPIA (Paraguay) (0) 1 (Benitez)

Nacional: Rodriguez, Moreira, Blanco, Washington Gonzalez, De Leon, Luzardo, Esparrago, De la Peña, Bica, Victorino, Morales.

Olimpia: Almeida, Sosa, Solalinde, Benitez, Paredes, Talavera, Delgado, Diaz, Guasch, Ortiz, Aquino. (Sent off 76m. Morales (N), Benitez (O)). Referee — Esposito.

July 9

OLIMPIA (Paraguay) 2
O'HIGGINS (Chile) 0

July 16

NACIONAL (Uruguay) (0) 2
(Victorino, De la Peña)
O'HIGGINS (Chile) 0

Nacional: Rodriguez, Blanco, De Leon, Gonzales, Moreyra, De la Peña (Millar), Esparrago, Luzardo, Bica, Victorino, Perez.

O'Higgins: Leyes, Droguett, Gallardo, O. Vargas, Serrano, Quiroz, Acosta, Neyra, Nunez, J. Vargas, Olivera. Referee — Jacomé, Ecuador.

Semi final group 2 final standings

NACIONAL (Uruguay)	4	3	1	0	5	1	7
Olimpia (Paraguay)	4	2	1	1	4	2	5
O'Higgins (Chile)	4	0	0	4	0	6	0

• Internacional (Brazil and Nacional (Uruguay) qualify for final.

MAJOR CLUB INTERNATIONALS

Gremio Porto Alegre (Brazil) 0 River Plate (Argentina) 1 (Jun 24); Gremio Porto Alegre (Brazil) 1 Argentinos Juniors (Argentina) 0 (Jun 26); Belgrano de Cordoba (Argentina) 0 Cruzeiro (Brazil) 1 (July 16).

OTHER INTERNATIONALS

Argentine Players Union XI 3 Spain B 2 (Jun 24); Barcelona de Guayaquil (Ecuador) 1 Colombia 2 (Jun 26); Sarmiento de Junin (Argentina) 1 Uruguay 1 (Jul 9); Huracan Las Heras de Mendoza (Argentina) 1 Chile 1 (Jul 9); Chile 3 San Lorenzo (Argentina) 3 (Jul 16).

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